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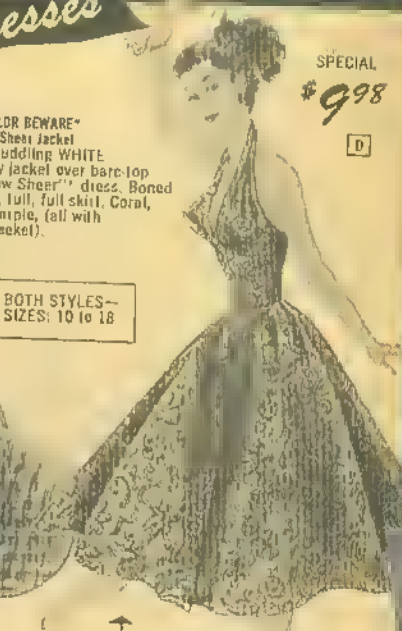
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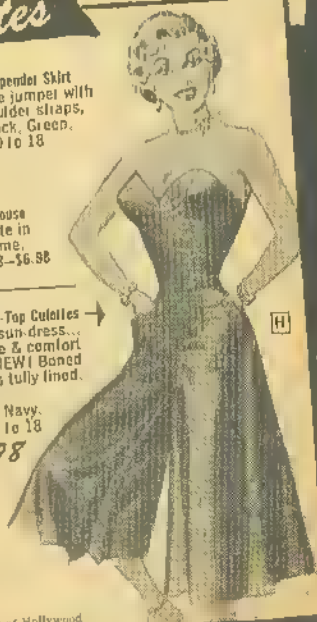
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BEING IN BRAD FERGUSON'S ARMS WAS PERFECT BLISS UNTIL I FOUND MYSELF HAUNTED BY THE SEEMING EVER-PRESENCE OF HIS FIRST BRIDE, DOLORES! COULD I BELIEVE THAT, AFTER MARRIAGE, EITHER OF US COULD FORGET HER?

Could I Be A SECOND WIFE?

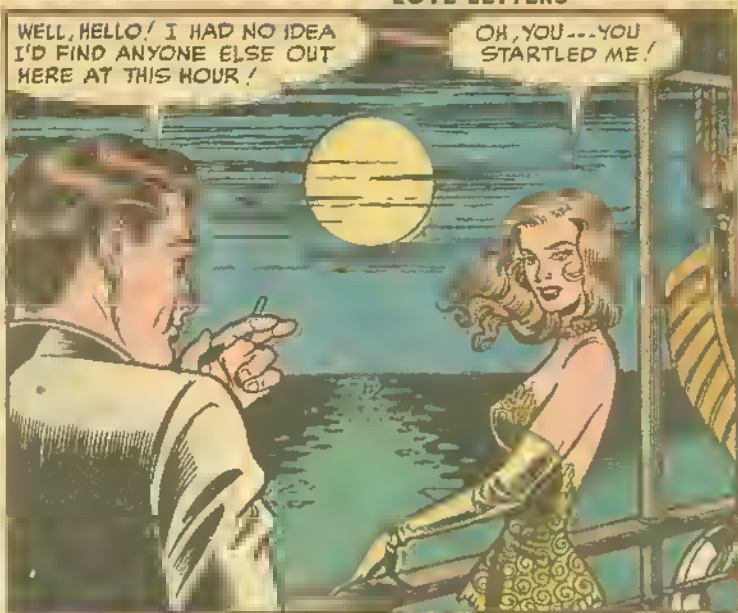


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BRAD AND I MET ON A SHIP'S DECK! IT WAS VERY LATE AND I WAS STANDING ALONE WATCHING THE WATER WHEN...

WELL, HELLO! I HAD NO IDEA I'D FIND ANYONE ELSE OUT HERE AT THIS HOUR!

OH, YOU...YOU STARTLED ME!



SORRY! I JUST CAME OUT FOR A BREATH OF AIR BEFORE GOING TO BED!

ME, TOO! AND IT'S SO NICE THAT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO TEAR MYSELF AWAY!



THEN DON'T GO NOW!

I...I WON'T!

IT WAS AT THAT VERY INSTANT, I BELIEVE, WHEN WE BOTH FELL IN LOVE! AS OUR EYES MET, WE SEEMED TO BE DRAWN TOGETHER BY SOME STRANGE, MAGNETIC FORCE! FINALLY, BRAD BROKE THE SPELL!

I...I'D BETTER INTRODUCE MYSELF! MY NAME'S BRAD FERGUSON!

AND I'M SUE GARFIELD! I'M PLEASED TO MEET YOU, MR. FERGUSON!



NOW THAT WE'VE PROPERLY DISPOSED OF THE FORMALITIES, HOW ABOUT A WALK AROUND THE DECK?

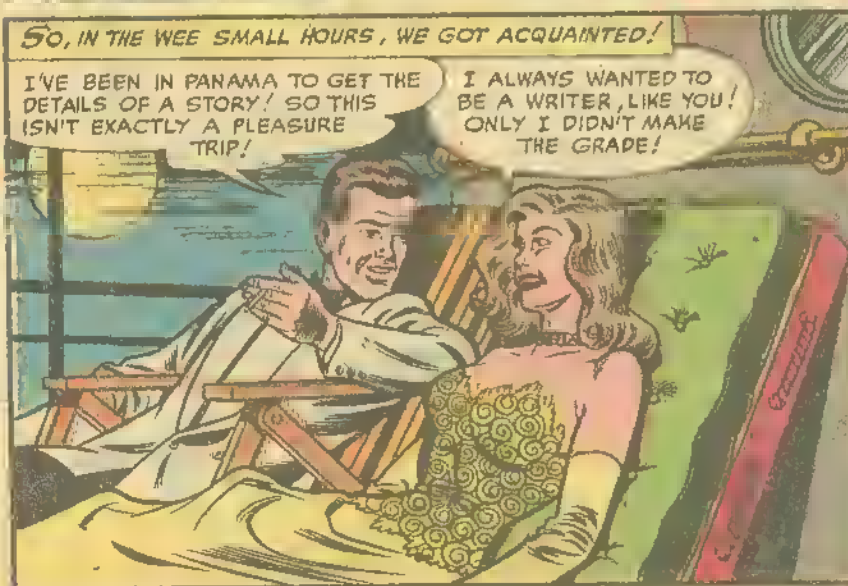
WHY NOT?



SO, IN THE WEE SMALL HOURS, WE GOT ACQUAINTED!

I'VE BEEN IN PANAMA TO GET THE DETAILS OF A STORY! SO THIS ISN'T EXACTLY A PLEASURE TRIP!

I ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A WRITER, LIKE YOU! ONLY I DIDN'T MAKE THE GRADE!



I'M SIMPLY A SECRETARY!

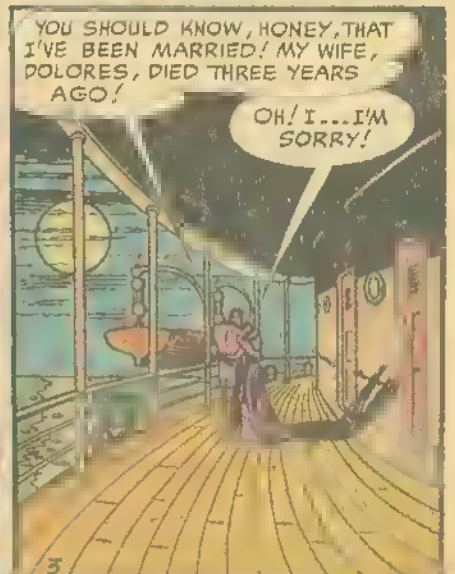
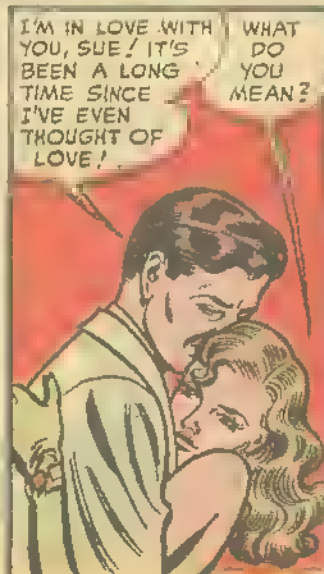
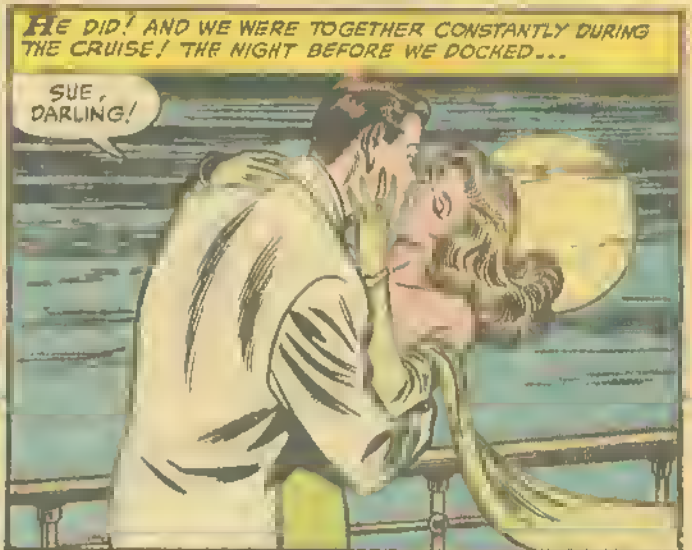
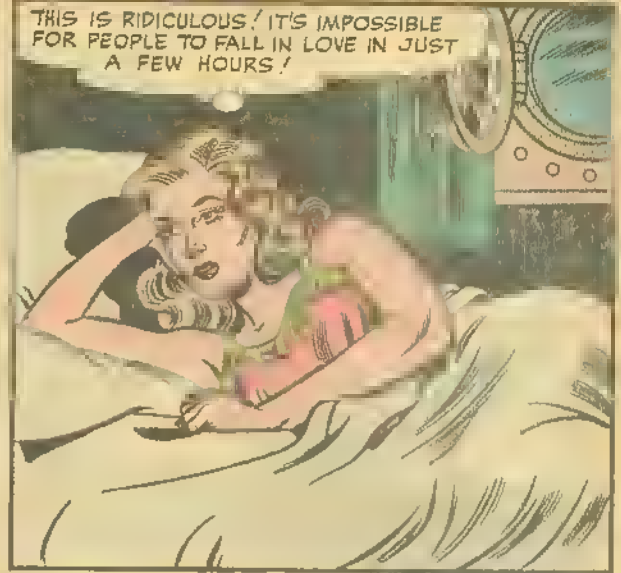
THAT'S NOT ALWAYS SO SIMPLE! WHAT WOULD THE WORLD DO WITHOUT PEOPLE LIKE YOU?



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FRANKLY, I DIDN'T SLEEP AT ALL THAT NIGHT! MY MIND WAS ON BRAD! AND I FELT THRILLED AND EXCITED!



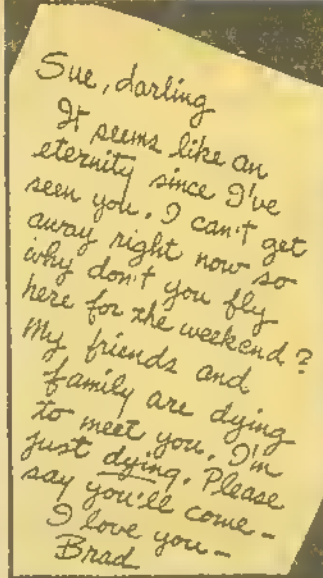
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THAT'S A THING OF THE PAST! NOW I'D LIKE TO START PLANNING THE FUTURE WITH YOU! IF YOU'LL CONSIDER IT!

OH, BRAD! OF COURSE, I WILL!

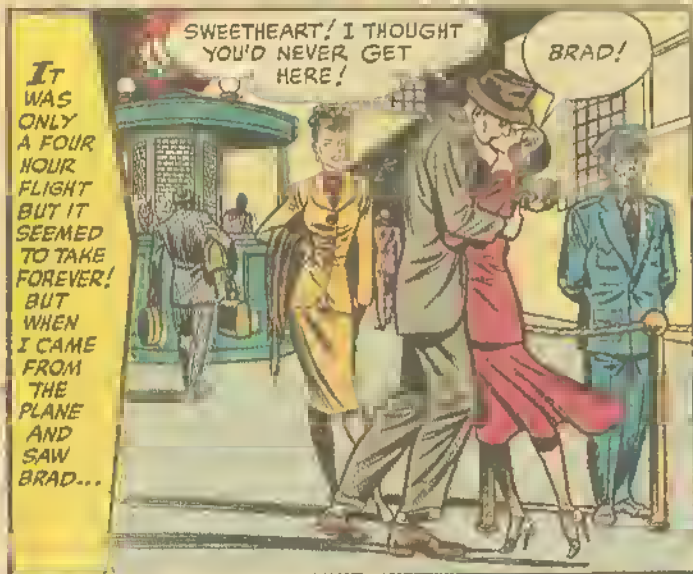
OUR ROMANCE HAD BEEN SO FAR REMOVED FROM REALITY THAT BRAD'S FORMER MARRIAGE MEANT NOTHING! AT THE END OF THE CRUISE, OUR PATHS PARTED BUT WE KNEW THAT IT WOULDN'T BE FOR LONG! SOON I RECEIVED A LETTER...



Sue, darling
It seems like an eternity since I've seen you. I can't get away right now so why don't you fly here for the weekend? My friends and family are dying to meet you. I'm just dying. Please say you'll come - I love you - Brad



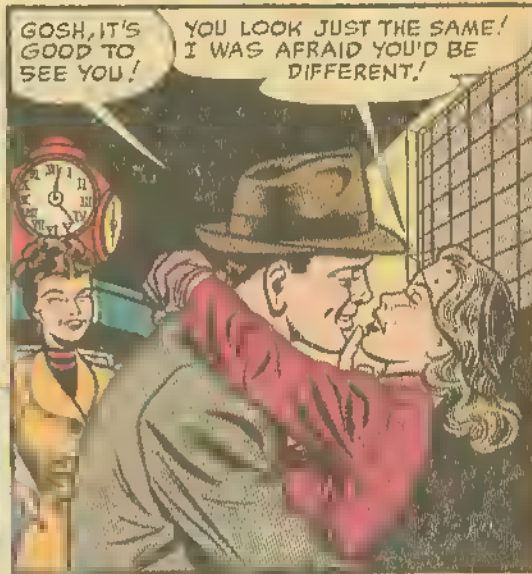
HOW COULD I REFUSE? BESIDES, I WANT TO SEE MY FUTURE HOME!



IT WAS ONLY A FOUR HOUR FLIGHT BUT IT SEEMED TO TAKE FOREVER! BUT WHEN I CAME FROM THE PLANE AND SAW BRAD...

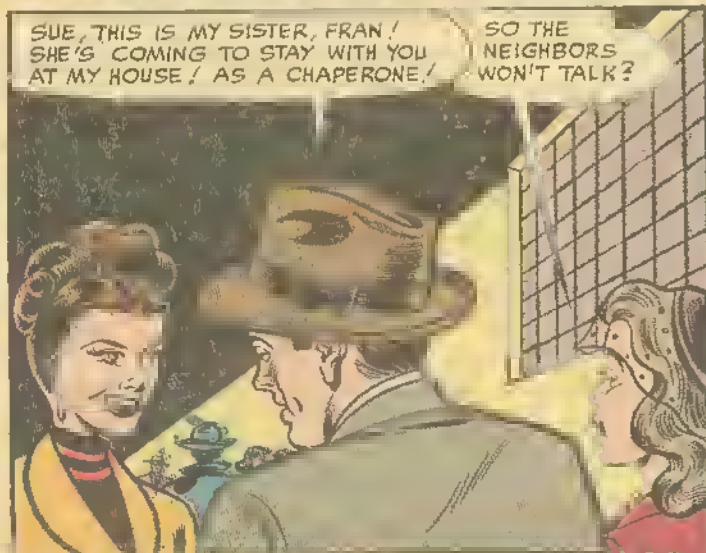
SWEETHEART! I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER GET HERE!

BRAD!



GOSH, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU!

YOU LOOK JUST THE SAME! I WAS AFRAID YOU'D BE DIFFERENT!



SUE, THIS IS MY SISTER, FRAN! SHE'S COMING TO STAY WITH YOU AT MY HOUSE! AS A CHAPERONE!

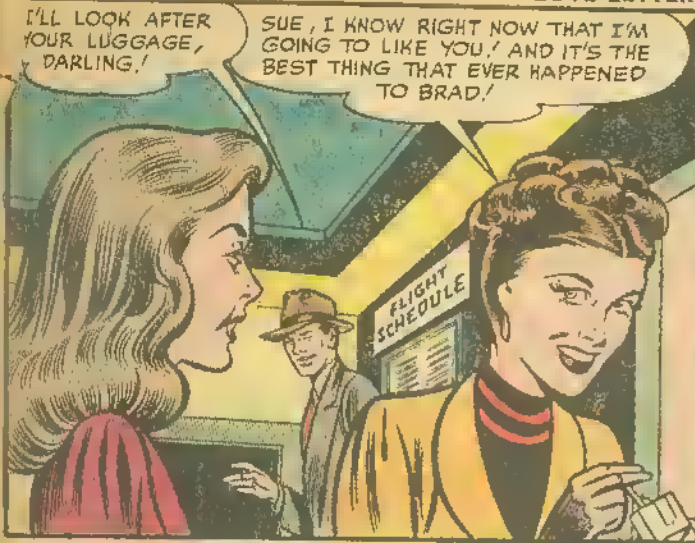
SO THE NEIGHBORS WON'T TALK?



OH, THEY'LL TALK ALL RIGHT! BUT DON'T LET THAT WORRY YOU A BIT!

SIS IS A GOOD GAL! SHE'LL STAND BY US!

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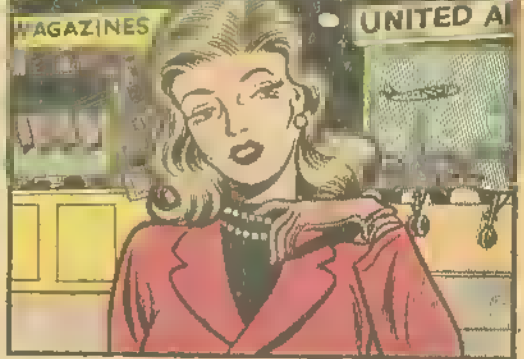


I'LL LOOK AFTER YOUR LUGGAGE, DARLING!

SUE, I KNOW RIGHT NOW THAT I'M GOING TO LIKE YOU, AND IT'S THE BEST THING THAT EVER HAPPENED TO BRAD!

MAYBE I SHOULDN'T SAY IT, BUT I NEVER COULD STAND DOLORES!

HIS FIRST WIFE! I'D ALMOST FORGOTTEN ABOUT HER!

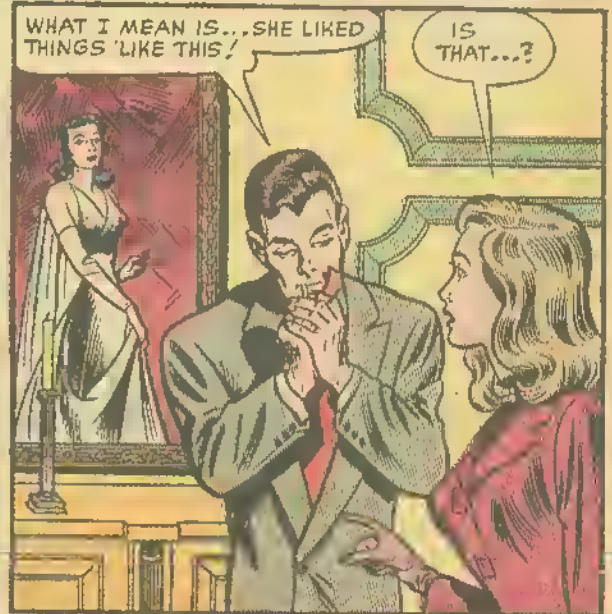


TIME AFTER TIME, AFTER THAT, I WISHED THAT AGAIN I COULD FORGET! FROM THE MINUTE I ENTERED BRAD'S HOUSE...



OH, IT'S BEAUTIFUL! ONLY...

A LITTLE TOO FORMAL, HUH? I THINK SO, TOO, EXCEPT THAT DOLORES...



WHAT I MEAN IS... SHE LIKED THINGS 'LIKE THIS'!

IS THAT...?



YES, THAT'S DOLORES! I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN DOWN THE PICTURE! IT DIDN'T EVEN ENTER MY MIND!

NO! IT BELONGS THERE! SHE WAS LOVELY, WASN'T SHE?



COME ALONG! SEE THE REST OF THE HOUSE!

SURE, FRAN! I'D LIKE TO!

THERE WAS DELICATE NEEDLE-POINT! FINE CHINA! SILVER SERVICE THAT STOOD UNUSED! IT HAD BELONGED TO A LADY... LADY HAD BEEN BRAD'S WIFE! FINALLY...



MISS GARFIELD, THIS IS MARTHA! AND THIS IS FRED! THEY KEEP THE PLACE GOING!

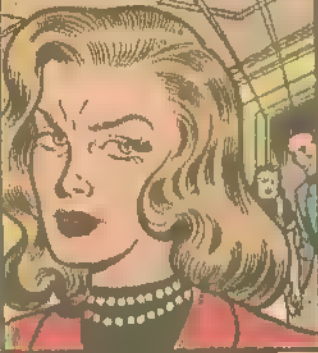
WE DO OUR BEST, MA'AM!

YES'M!

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IT WON'T BE RIGHT TO HAVE A NEW MISSUS!

ESPECIALLY NOT HER! SHE'S NOT LIKE THE OTHER!



PHOOEY! DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO THEM! THEY'RE PREJUDICED!

I SUPPOSE THAT'S TO BE EXPECTED! ONLY IT PUTS ME IN A SPOT, DOESN'T IT?



FRAN WAS MY FRIEND FROM THE BEGINNING! AND BRAD WAS SWEETER THAN HE HAD EVER BEEN! I ADORED HIM WITH ALL MY HEART AND SOUL! LATER THAT EVENING...

SUE, I'VE INVITED SOME RELATIVES AND FRIENDS TO COME HERE TOMORROW NIGHT TO MEET YOU! IS IT ALL RIGHT IF I ANNOUNCE OUR ENGAGEMENT?

YES, DARLING! IF YOU'RE SURE I CAN MAKE YOU HAPPY!



I KNOW YOU CAN!

I'LL TRY TO BE A GOOD WIFE!

LIKE HER!



THE PARTY FRIGHTENED ME BUT BRAD AND FRAN TOOK THE RESPONSIBILITY AND MARTHA AND FRED DID THE WORK! AND IT ALL WENT SO WELL AND EVERYONE SEEMED SO FRIENDLY THAT, ONCE AGAIN, I HAD ALMOST FORGOTTEN DOLORES UNTIL...

IT SEEMS A SHAME! WRONG, IN A WAY!

YES! I DIDN'T SUPPOSE ANYONE COULD EVER TAKE HER PLACE!



I LIKE THIS HOUSE! DOLORES DESIGNED IT, DIDN'T SHE?

EVERY INCH OF IT! SHE ALWAYS HAD SUCH GOOD TASTE!

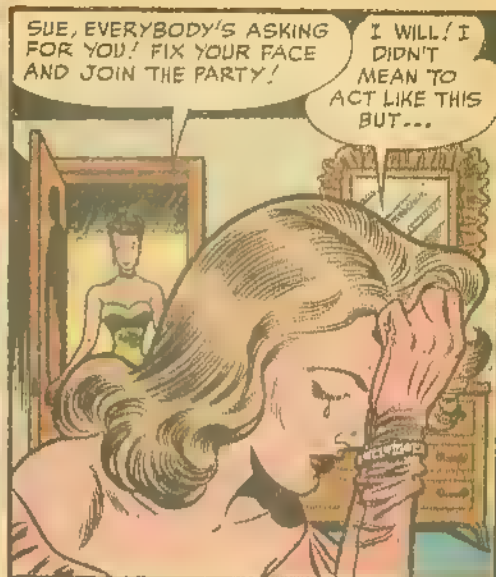
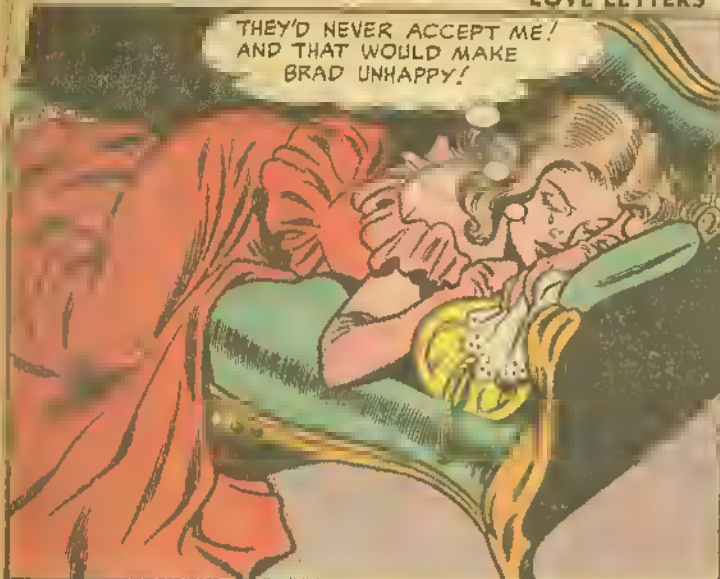


AND SUCH A CHARMING HOSTESS, TOO! I DOUBT IF BRAD'S NEW ONE CAN COMPARE!

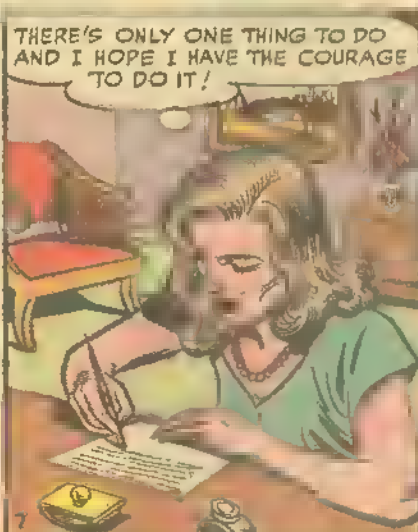
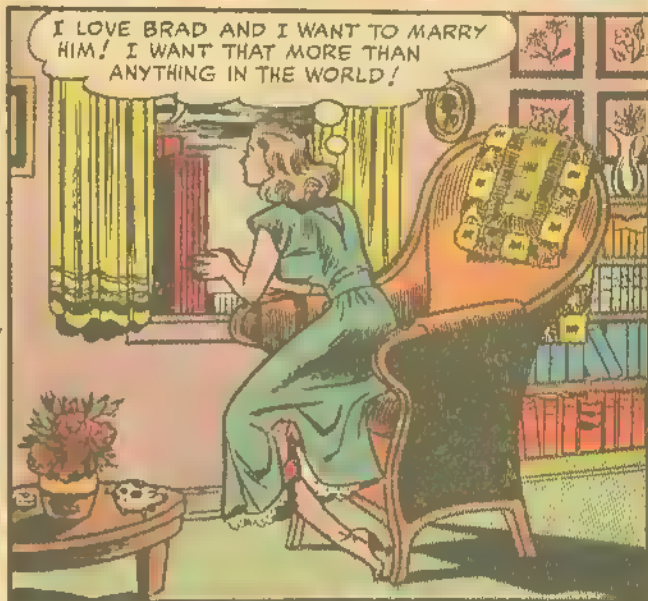
I'M NOT SURE THAT I'LL EVEN TRY!



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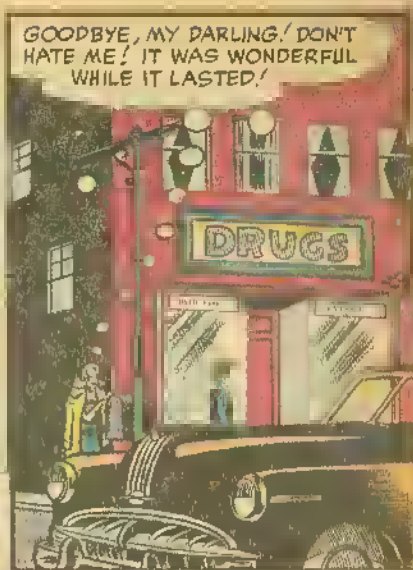
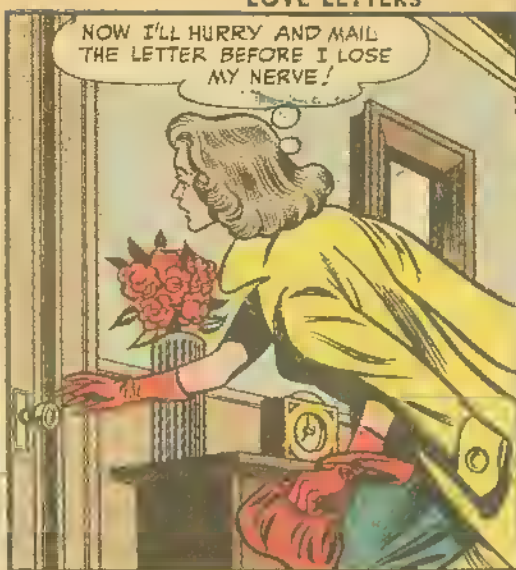
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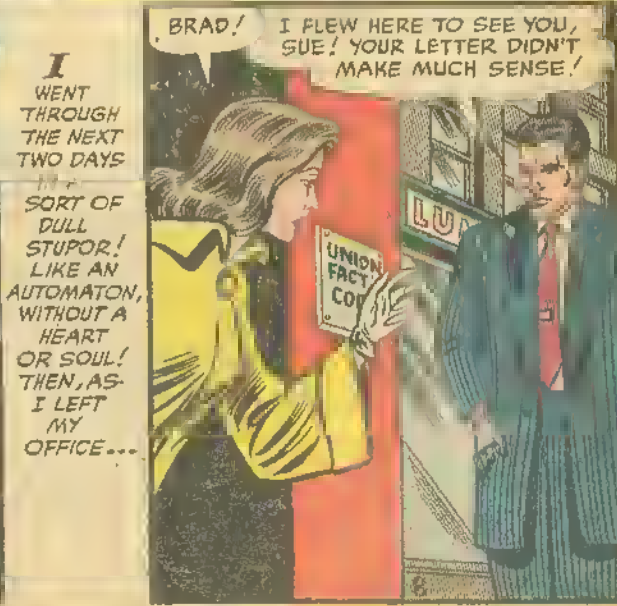
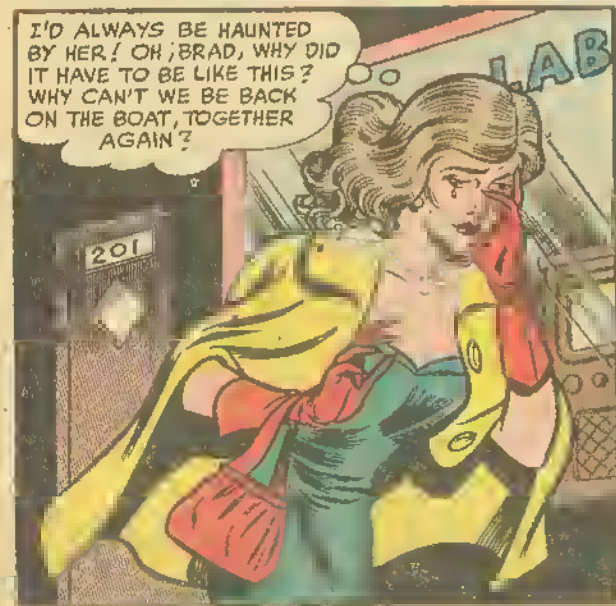
My dearest Brad,
Please believe
that I have been
sincere in everything
that I have said
or done. I meant
to marry you
but I know now
that it's impossible!

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impossible!
I could never
take her place.
Forgive me,
darling. I love
you too much to
be second. To
to ~~be~~ and.



I
WALKED THE
STREETS THAT
NIGHT FOR
HOURS, .
TRYING TO
WEAR OFF
MY GRIEF!
IF I COULD
HAVE BEEN
ANGRY WITH
SOMEONE,
IT MIGHT
HAVE BEEN
EASIER!
INSTEAD...



I
WENT
THROUGH
THE NEXT
TWO DAYS
A
SORT OF
DULL
STUPOR!
LIKE AN
AUTOMATON,
WITHOUT A
HEART
OR SOUL!
THEN, AS
I LEFT
MY
OFFICE...

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SHALL WE GO SOME PLACE AND TALK IT OVER?

WE WILL, IF YOU WANT TO!

THERE WAS A LUMP IN MY THROAT TOO BIG TO SWALLOW! MY PULSE WAS BEATING A HEAVY RHYTHM IN MY TEMPLES! AND I WANTED EITHER TO ESCAPE OR FLING MYSELF INTO BRAD'S ARMS! BUT SOON...



SUE, I'M GOING TO PUT IT TO YOU STRAIGHT! NOW YOU CAN TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT! I WAS ONCE VERY MUCH IN LOVE WITH DOLORES!

I'M SURE YOU WERE!



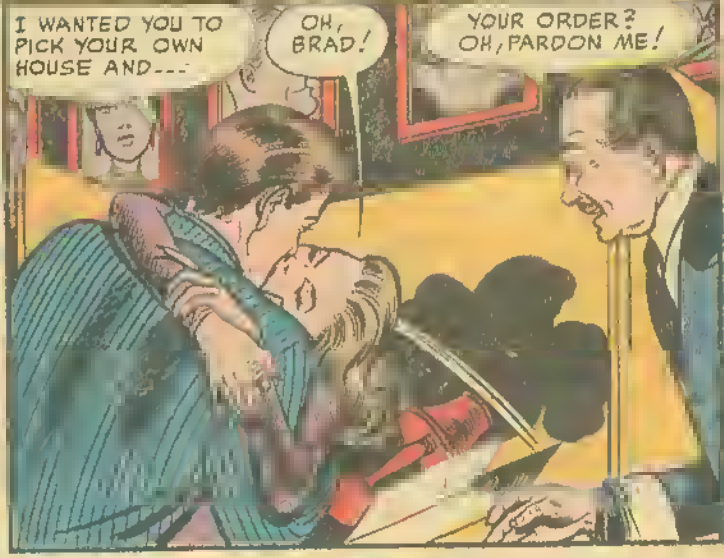
BUT THAT WAS ENDED! I NEVER CARED FOR ANYONE ELSE UNTIL I MET YOU! I FELL IN LOVE AGAIN! DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S POSSIBLE?

I DO, BRAD! THAT ISN'T THE POINT! I...



I KNOW! FRAN SET ME STRAIGHT ABOUT IT! THE HOUSE, I MEAN, AND WHAT PEOPLE WERE SAYING! BUT I NEVER EXPECTED YOU TO LIVE THERE!

YOU DIDN'T?

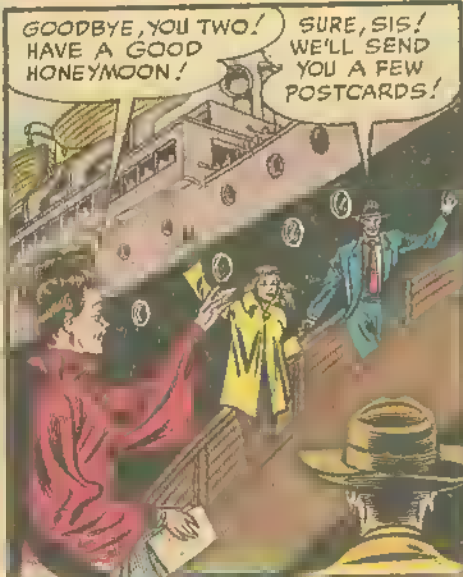


I WANTED YOU TO PICK YOUR OWN HOUSE AND...

OH, BRAD!

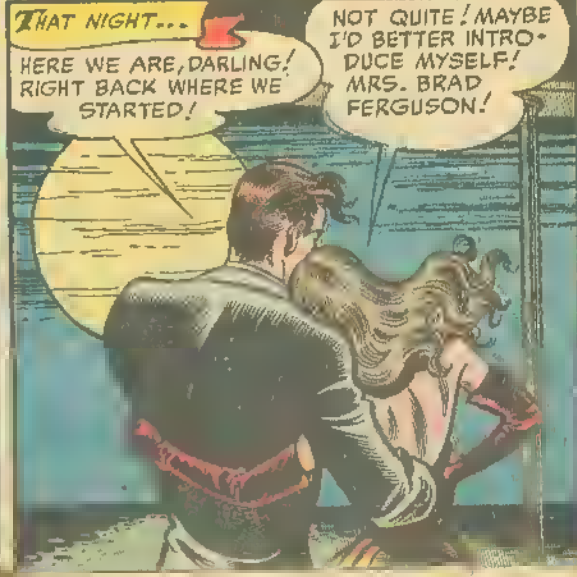
YOUR ORDER? OH, PARDON ME!

SUDDENLY, THE GHOST WAS GONE! I KNEW THAT I COULD NEVER TAKE HER PLACE IN HIS HEART... I WOULDN'T WANT TO! BUT I HAD MY NICHE, TOO, AND IT WAS SECURE! A FEW WEEKS LATER...



GOODBYE, YOU TWO! HAVE A GOOD HONEYMOON!

SURE, SIS! WE'LL SEND YOU A FEW POSTCARDS!



THAT NIGHT...

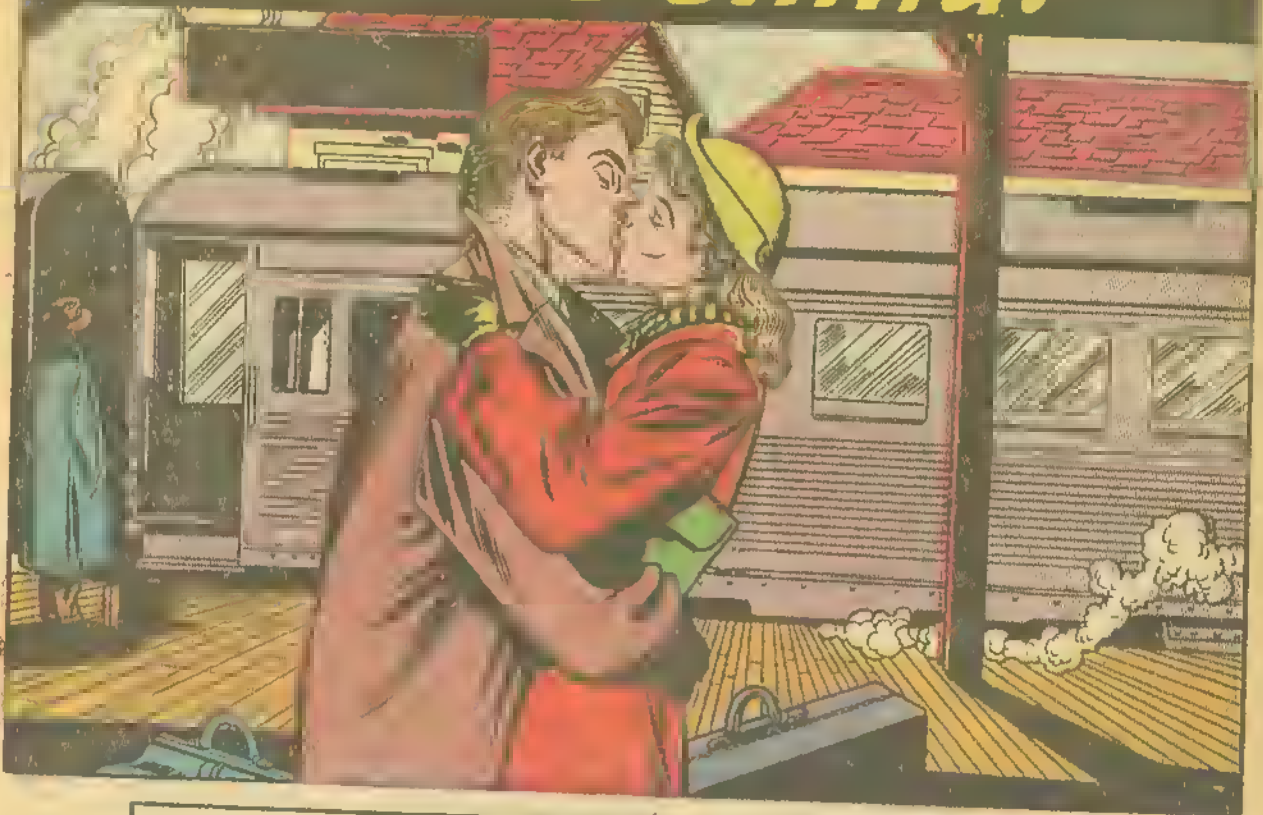
HERE WE ARE, DARLING! RIGHT BACK WHERE WE STARTED!

NOT QUITE! MAYBE I'D BETTER INTRODUCE MYSELF! MRS. BRAD FERGUSON!

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When GIL ROBERTS LEFT OUR TOWN, HE TOOK MY HEART WITH HIM! HOW COULD I KNOW HOW SOON HE WOULD TOSS IT AWAY? HOW COULD I HAVE SUSPECTED THE SUFFERING AND ANGUISH THAT LAY AHEAD OF ME BECAUSE I WAS

The Girl Who Was Left Behind!



I REMEMBER SO VIVIDLY HOW GIL BROKE THE NEWS ABOUT HIS GOING AWAY! WE HAD BEEN TO A DANCE THAT EVENING! AND HE DIDN'T SAY A WORD ABOUT IT UNTIL HE BROUGHT ME HOME! THEN...



MURIEL, I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU! IT MAY MAKE YOU A LITTLE BIT UNHAPPY!

UNHAPPY? WHAT'S WRONG?



NOTHING'S WRONG REALLY! ONLY WE'LL HAVE TO BE APART FOR A WHILE!

APART? WHY? OH, DARLING, WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO TELL ME?

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THAT I'VE LANDED A JOB IN THE CITY WITH THE SWANK PARIS CLUB! HANDLING PUBLIC RELATIONS! NOT BAD, HUH?

NO, I G-GUESS NOT! IT'S WHAT YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO!

ONLY I'LL SOBE BE SO L-LONESOME HERE WITHOUT YOU!

DON'T WORRY, SWEETHEART! AFTER I GET SETTLED, I'LL SEND FOR YOU, OKAY?

AFTER THE FIRST BLOW, I BEGAN TO SEE THE MOVE AS A BREAK FOR US! WE WERE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED AND THE IDEA OF BEGINNING LIFE TOGETHER CITY HELD GREAT PROMISE! YET I COULDN'T HELP FEELING SAD THE DAY GIL LEFT!

WRITE ME OFTEN, WON'T YOU?

SURE, I WILL! LOOK, HONEY, YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY ABOUT ALL THIS!

IT'S GOING TO MEAN EVERYTHING TO OUR FUTURE!

I KNOW IT IS! GOOD-BYE, GIL! BE G-GOOD!



I STOOD THERE WAVING WHILE THE TRAIN PULLED AWAY! WITH GIL WENT MY TRUST AND DEEP, UNDYING DEVOTION! I'M GLAD I DIDN'T KNOW THEN HOW QUICKLY I WOULD BE FORGOTTEN! OH, SURE, I HAD LETTERS FROM HIM! BUT THEY WERE DISAPPOINTING

A LETTER FROM GIL! ABOUT ALL HE SAYS IS THAT HE LIKES HIS JOB AND IS TOO BUSY TO WRITE VERY MUCH!



BUT THAT HE'LL WRITE ALL THE DETAILS LATER! HE ALWAYS SAYS THAT BUT HE NEVER DOES!

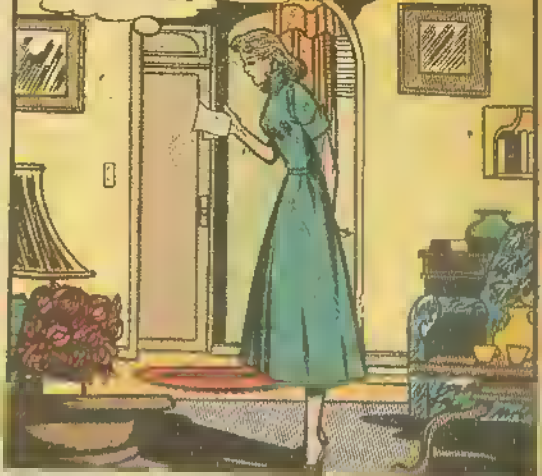


ONCE HE CAME THROUGH WITH A LETTER THAT GAVE ME HOPE! IT WAS SHORT BUT SWEET! IT WENT AS FOLLOWS...

Muriel, my dear -

I haven't meant to neglect you but I've been working night and day to get myself established in this business. And I'm meeting all the big shots... I mean really top crust. You'll get a kick out of knowing them and you'll like this life. More about it later. Love, Gil

THEN HE STILL EXPECTS ME TO JOIN HIM! I CAN KEEP ON PLANNING!

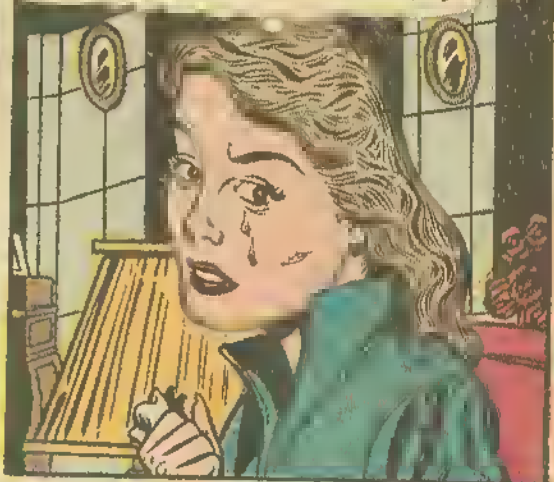


BUT PLANS WERE PALTRY SUBSTITUTES FOR THE SWEETHEART WHO WAS GONE... FOR THE LETTERS THAT DWINDLED AWAY UNTIL NONE CAME AT ALL... FOR THE LONELINESS THAT WAS TEARING MY HEART OUT! MONTHS PASSED AND THEN...

SOMETHING'S WRONG! I KNOW IT!! AND I CAN'T STAND THE SUSPENSE OF WAITING!



I'M GOING TO THE CITY! WHEN GIL AND I GET TOGETHER AGAIN, EVERYTHING WILL BE JUST THE SAME AS BEFORE!



IN THAT, I WAS MISTAKEN! I'LL NEVER FORGET THE HORROR AND THE HUMILIATION I FELT WHEN I WENT TO THE PARIS CLUB TO SURPRISE HIM!

MURIEL, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

GIL, AREN'T YOU GLAD TO SEE ME?



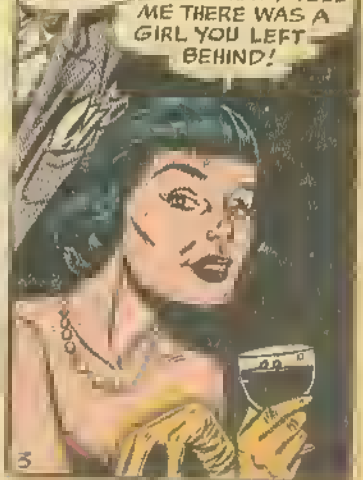
WHO IS SHE, GIL? YOU DIDN'T WARN ME ABOUT ANOTHER WOMAN IN YOUR LIFE!

THIS IS MURIEL KENT, MARGO! MURIEL, MISS DE VERE!



SHE'S... ER... FROM MY HOME TOWN!

I UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY, DARLING! ONLY YOU DIDN'T TELL ME THERE WAS A GIRL YOU LEFT BEHIND!



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I'M SORRY ABOUT BARGING IN LIKE THIS! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER!

I AGREE WITH THAT!



I'M STAYING AT THE HARWOOD HOTEL IN CASE YOU WANT TO CONTACT ME!

I THINK YOU SHOULD, GIL! IT MIGHT BE ROMANTIC TO CEMENT OLD RELATIONS!



OR WOULD YOU RATHER BE WITH ME?

I'VE MADE A FOOL OF MYSELF! ONLY I STILL BELIEVE THAT GIL WILL CALL ME! HE WAS JUST GOING ABOUT HIS BUSINESS, THAT'S ALL! I'M SURE HE'LL WANT TO SEE ME!

BUT HE DIDN'T, I GUESS! I WAITED FOR DAYS AND DIDN'T HEAR FROM HIM! AND WHEN I WAS CONVINCED THAT HE DIDN'T CARE, I WENT ALMOST CRAZY! I STARTED WALKING AND FINALLY I FOUND THE ANSWER!



I DON'T WANT TO GO ON LIVING! THERE'S NOTHING LEFT FOR ME NOW!



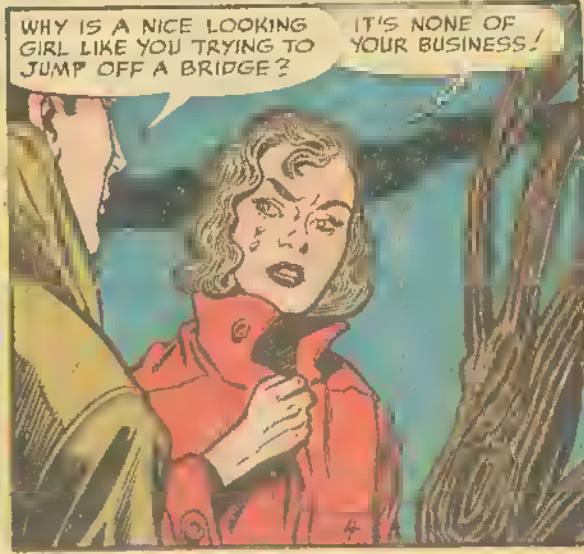
AND THIS WILL BE THE EASY WAY OUT!

HEY, WAIT! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?



GET BACK HERE!

LEAVE ME ALONE!



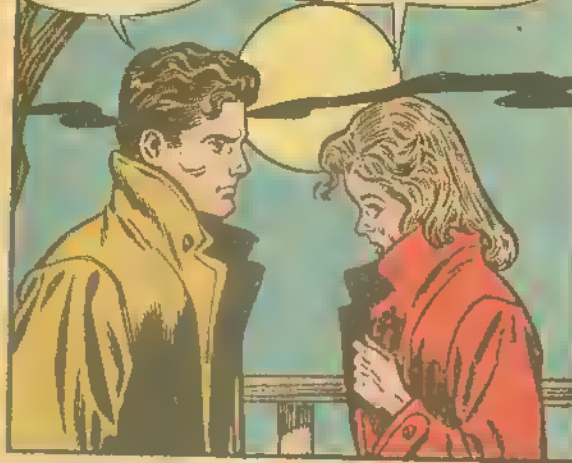
WHY IS A NICE LOOKING GIRL LIKE YOU TRYING TO JUMP OFF A BRIDGE?

IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!

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I'M MAKING IT MY BUSINESS! NOW GIVE WITH THE STORY!

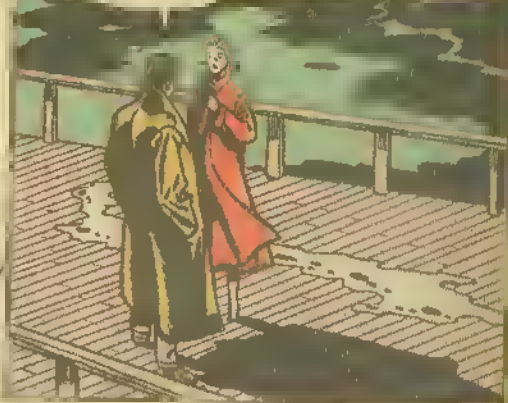
I GUESS I HAVE TO TELL SOMEONE! I HAVEN'T HAD ANYONE I COULD TALK TO!



I'LL NEVER KNOW WHY, BUT I POURED MY HEART OUT TO BRIAN GRAYSON, THE MAN WHO HAD RESCUED ME! WHEN YOU'RE IN A FRANTIC FRAME OF MIND, AS I WAS, I GUESS YOU'RE NOT RESPONSIBLE! BESIDES, HE SEEMED SO UNDERSTANDING!

HONEY, I'M A NEWSPAPER MAN! I'VE HAD A LOT OF THIS SORT OF THING TO CONTEND WITH! BUT YOU'RE NOT THE TYPE! AND I'M NOT GOING TO TURN IN THE STORY!

WHY? WHAT DO I MEAN TO YOU?



PLENTY! YOU'RE A GOOD GAL WHO GOT A RAW DEAL! AND I WON'T HOLD STILL FOR THAT!

YOU MEAN YOU'LL GET GIL BACK FOR ME? I KNOW HE REALLY LOVES ME! HE'S JUST BEEN TAKEN IN BY MARGO DE VERE!



I KNOW MARGO VERY WELL! SHE'S FICKLE AND A FLIRT! DO YOU ACTUALLY WANT YOUR BOY FRIEND BACK? IF YOU DO, I'LL TRY TO ARRANGE IT.

OH, YES!



BRIAN BEGAN HIS CAMPAIGN THEN! TOLD ME WHAT TO WEAR AND HOW TO WEAR IT! HOW TO DO MY HAIR! HE TRAINED ME WELL BEFORE HE TOOK ME TO THE PARIS CLUB! AND HE SHOWED ME LOTS OF ATTENTION!

MURIEL!

WITH BRIAN!

COME, MURIEL DEAR! I RESERVED OUR TABLE EARLIER THIS EVENING!



TAKE MY ADVICE! DON'T GIVE THAT GUY, GIL, A SECOND GLANCE!

BUT...



DON'T LET HIM KNOW YOU LOVE HIM!

I'M NOT SURE NOW THAT I DO!



LOVE LETTERS

IT'S FUNNY, ISN'T IT, HOW QUICKLY LOVE CAN TURN TO HATRED? I WANTED GIL MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD UNTIL I HAD WON HIM BACK! IT WAS ANOTHER NIGHT AT THE PARIS CLUB!

MURIEL, I HAVE TO SEE YOU! THIS GRAYSON GUY HAS BEEN TAKING UP ALL YOUR TIME!

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?



I RESENT IT! WE WERE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED AND...

WE WERE! BUT WE WERE NOT ANY LONGER, GIL! YOU MADE IT PRETTY PLAIN THAT YOU WEREN'T ANXIOUS TO SEE ME WHEN I CAME HERE!



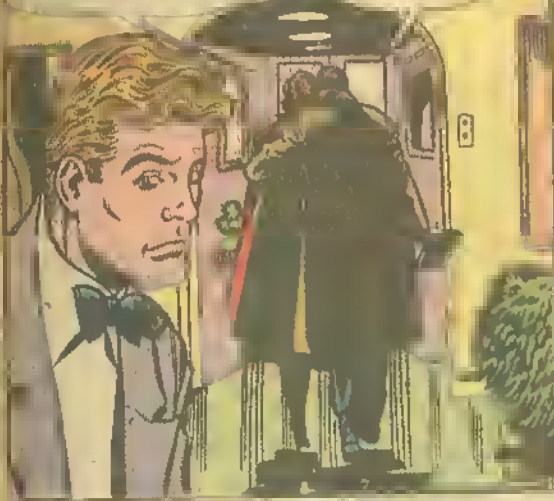
LOVE HAS TO BE A LASTING THING! AT LEAST, WITH ME!

BUT, MURIEL, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!

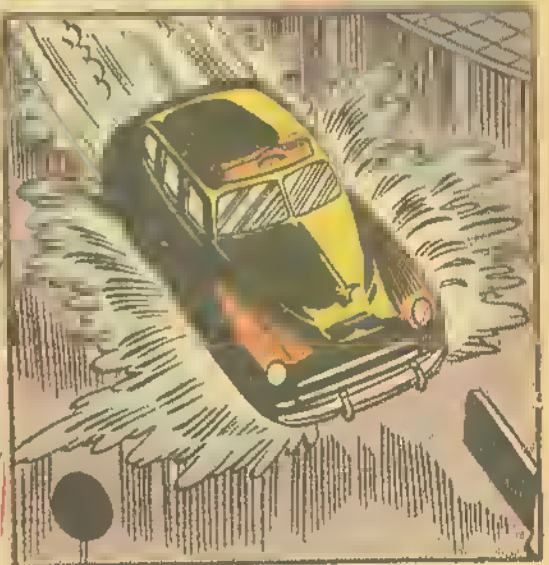


I'M AFRAID I UNDERSTAND TOO WELL!

SHALL WE GO, DEAR?



BRIAN PUT ME INTO A CAB AND WE RODE FOR A LONG TIME WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING! THERE WAS A LOT I WANTED TO SAY, BUT I HAD MADE MISTAKES BEFORE! SO I KEPT SILENT!



THEN FINALLY...

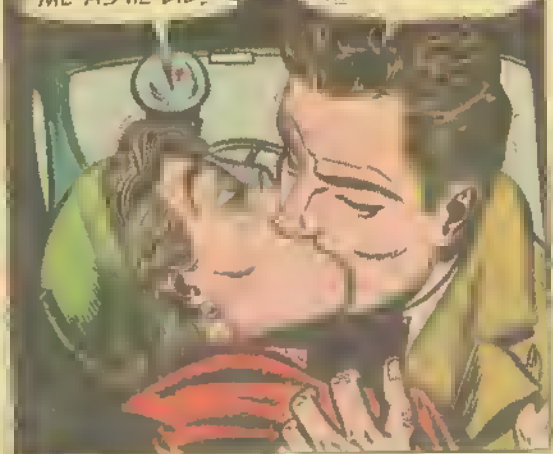
DARLING, ARE YOU REALLY THROUGH WITH GIL? PLEASE SAY YOU ARE BECAUSE I LOVE YOU! I'VE TRIED SO HARD NOT TO SAY IT!

SAY IT, BRIAN! TELL ME OVER AND OVER! BECAUSE I LOVE YOU, TOO!



I KNOW NOW THAT GIL COULDN'T HAVE LOVED ME VERY MUCH AND LEFT ME AS HE DID!

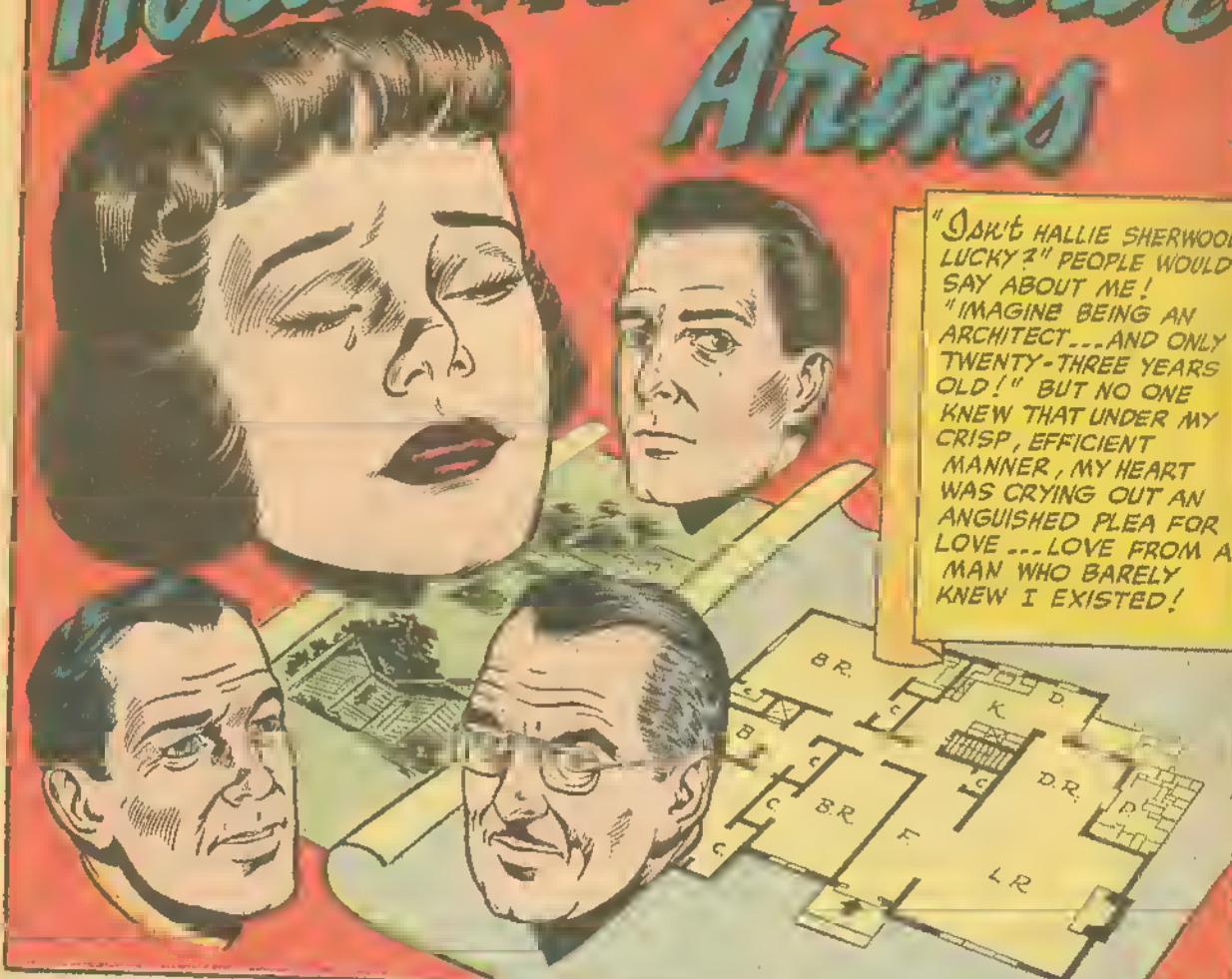
I'LL NEVER LEAVE YOU, MURIEL! WILL YOU MARRY ME REAL SOON?



I SAID "YES" AND I'VE NEVER BEEN SORRY! BRIAN IS A WONDERFUL HUSBAND! I'M GLAD NOW, THAT AS FAR AS GIL IS CONCERNED, I WAS THE GIRL WHO WAS LEFT BEHIND!

Hold Me In Your Arms

"ISN'T HALLIE SHERWOOD LUCKY?" PEOPLE WOULD SAY ABOUT ME!
"IMAGINE BEING AN ARCHITECT...AND ONLY TWENTY-THREE YEARS OLD!" BUT NO ONE KNEW THAT UNDER MY CRISP, EFFICIENT MANNER, MY HEART WAS CRYING OUT AN ANGUISHED PLEA FOR LOVE...LOVE FROM A MAN WHO BARELY KNEW I EXISTED!



I WAS IMMENSELY PROUD OF MY JOB WITH DANIELS AND SON, CONSTRUCTION COMPANY!

IT'S KITCHENS AND BATHROOMS THAT SELL A TRACT HOUSE, MR. DANIELS! I THINK IT WILL PAY US TO ADD A FEW EXTRAS THERE!

LEAVE IT TO HALLIE TO ADD A WOMAN'S TOUCH, EH, DAD?

WOMAN'S TOUCH, NOTHING! SHE'S USING GOOD OLD-FASHIONED COMMON SENSE! SHE'S PRECISE AND EFFICIENT!

THANK YOU, MR. DANIELS!

LOOKS LIKE I CAN SCRAP MY PLANS! BUT YOU DESERVED THAT PRAISE, HALLIE! CONGRATULATIONS!

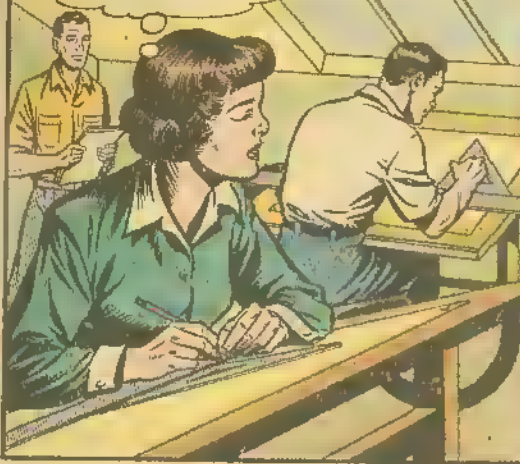
I...I'M SORRY, MARK!



LOVE LETTERS

YES, I WAS PROUD OF MY WORK! BUT DESPITE MY MASCULINE APPROACH TO THE JOB, I WAS VERY MUCH A WOMAN! A WOMAN IN LOVE!

I MIGHT AS WELL WORSHIP SOMEONE IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY! MARK NEVER THINKS OF ME, EXCEPT AS COMPETITION!



WHY SO GLUM, HALLIE? YOUR PLANS WENT OVER WITH DAD IN A BIG WAY!

SOMETIMES, BRIAN, I... BEGIN TO WORRY ABOUT MY OWN PLANS!



I DON'T WANT TO BE THOUGHT OF AS JUST AN EFFICIENT MACHINE!

I THINK I UNDERSTAND! BUT... YOU'RE MORE THAN THAT TO ME, HALLIE! LET ME DRIVE YOU HOME TONIGHT AND WE'LL TALK!



AND LATER...

OH, YES... YES, I KNOW! YOU THINK OF ME AS A FRIEND! BUT, I...!

MORE THAN A FRIEND! HALLIE, I'VE... BEEN IN LOVE WITH YOU FOR A LONG TIME!



YOU WERE ALWAYS SO BUSINESS-LIKE, I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT RESENT MY TELLING YOU! BUT NOW I KNOW YOU WANT TO BE LOVED, HALLIE... LIKE ALL OF US!

BRIAN... LOVE ISN'T SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CONTROL AT WILL!

I DO NEED SOMEONE TO LOVE ME, BUT... IT'S SOMEONE ELSE! SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T CARE!

MARK NEALSON!



I WISH IT WASN'T TRUE, BRIAN, BUT... I'M DESPERATELY IN LOVE WITH HIM!

POOR YOU, POOR ME! I GUESS WE CAN JUST CHALK IT UP TO FATE AND... FORGET IT!



LOVE LETTERS

How
SIMPLE LIFE
WOULD HAVE
BEEN IF
I COULD
HAVE GIVEN
MY HEART
TO BRIAN!
BUT THOUGH
HE KNEW
THERE
WASN'T
A CHANCE,
BRIAN DID
HIS BEST
TO HELP
ME!

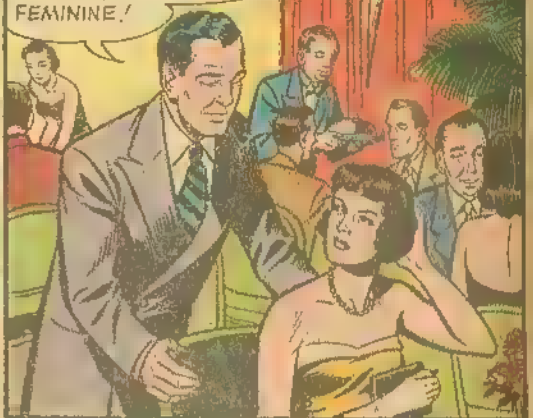


YOU'RE A SMART GIRL, HALLIE!
BUT WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT
MEN COULD BE ENGRAVED ON
THE HEAD OF A PIN!

WHY DO YOU
SAY THAT,
BRIAN?

LOOK, A MAN LOOKS
FOR A WIFE, NOT AN
ARCHITECTURAL GENIUS!
MARK DOESN'T THINK OF
YOU AS HELPLESS AND
SWEET AND
FEMININE!

BUT HE RESPECTS
ME FOR WHAT I
CAN DO!



HE RESPECTS HIS
GRANDMOTHER, TOO...
BUT HE DOESN'T TAKE
HER OUT DANCING!
HE'S GOT TO FEEL
THAT YOU NEED HIM,
HALLIE!

BUT I'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN
INDEPENDENT!
I CAN'T
CHANGE
THAT!



YOU'D DOGGONED
WELL BETTER CHANGE!
GOOD GRIEF, HOW
DO YOU EXPECT THE
MAN TO FEEL WHEN
YOU BEAT HIM AT HIS
OWN GAME?

I CAN'T
HELP
THAT,
BRIAN!



YOU KNOW WHAT A
PERFECTIONIST
MARK IS! HE
COULDN'T POSSIBLY
THINK MORE OF ME
IF I DIDN'T DO MY
BEST!

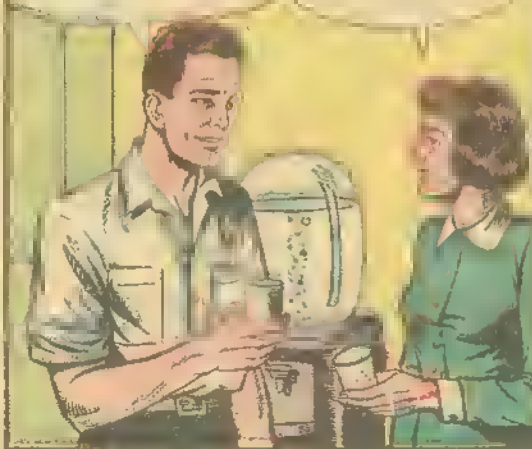
I GIVE UP!
YOU JUST
WON'T LISTEN,
WILL YOU?



SOMEHOW,
I COULDN'T
ACCEPT
BRIAN'S
ADVICE!
AND DAY
BY DAY,
MY HOPES
OF
WINNING
MARK'S
LOVE
GREW
DIMMER!

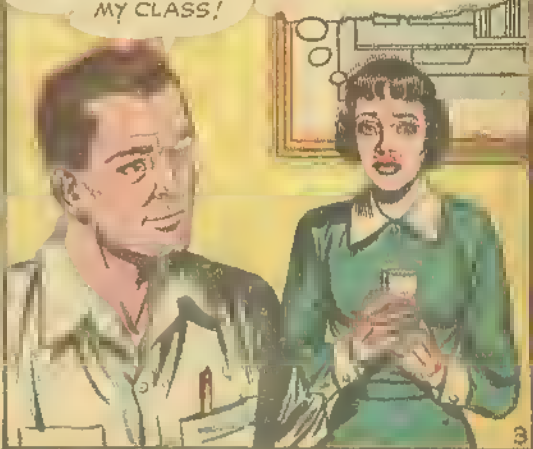
I'VE GOT TO HAND IT
TO YOU, HALLIE! THAT
CANTILEVER DESIGN
FOR THOSE HILLSIDE
LOTS WAS A LULU!

I THOUGHT MORE
OF YOUR IDEA!
WE COULD HAVE
GRADED THAT
SLOPE AND...



DON'T TRY TO
MAKE ME FEEL
BETTER, HALLIE! I
KNOW WHEN I'M
COMPETING OUT OF
MY CLASS!

OH, MARK, DON'T SAY
THAT! DON'T THINK OF
ME AS... COMPETITION!
I'D DO ANYTHING TO
MAKE YOU HAPPY!

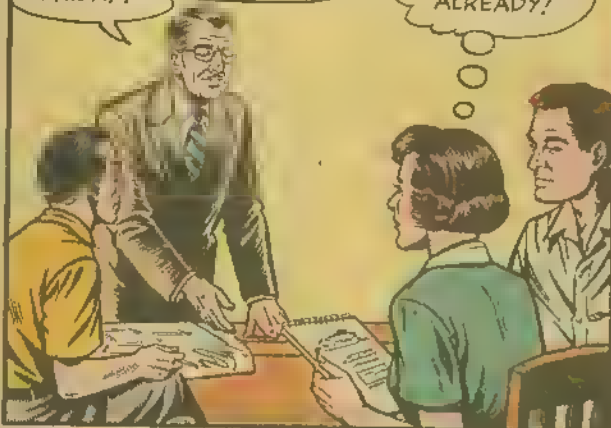


LOVE LETTERS

YES, I WOULD HAVE DONE ANYTHING! EXCEPT FOR-GETTING MY INTENSE PRIDE IN MY WORK!

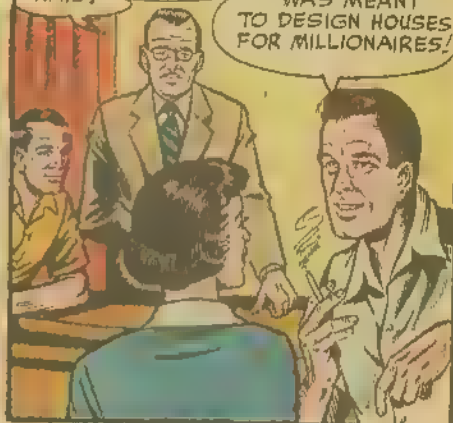
WE'RE PUTTING UP THREE HUNDRED LOW-COST HOMES IN THAT AVON WOODS TRACT! AND I MEAN LOW-COST! I'LL EXPECT TO SEE PRELIMINARY SKETCHES BY FRIDAY!

I'VE GOT SOME TERRIFIC IDEAS FOR SHORT-CUTS ALREADY!



IT'LL MEAN WORKING LATE EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK, BUT I WANT COST ESTIMATES DOWN TO THE LAST NAIL!

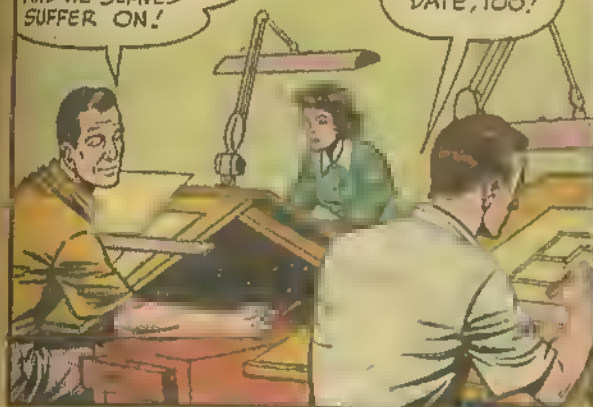
THAT'S WHERE YOU SHINE, HALLIE! I GUESS I WAS MEANT TO DESIGN HOUSES FOR MILLIONAIRES!



MARK'S DISCOURAGED ATTITUDE DIDN'T LAST LONG! BUT LATE THURSDAY NIGHT, I HAD ANOTHER REASON TO FEEL MISERABLE!

FINE DEAL! MY DAD GOES HOME AT NINE AND WE SLAVES SUFFER ON!

AND I HAD TO GIVE UP A HEAVY DATE, TOO!



YESSIREE, CUTEST LITTLE BLONDE YOU EVER SAW! SEEMS A SHAME TO DISAPPOINT HER!

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO MAKE IT WORSE, MARK?



IT'S BAD ENOUGH TO LOVE YOU THIS WAY WITHOUT BEING TORMENTED!

HOW WE DOING, HALLIE?



I DON'T KNOW, I...CAN'T SEEM TO CONCENTRATE! AND YOUR DAD WANTS THESE PLANS IN THE MORNING!

WELL, YOU'RE NEARLY FINISHED! HE'LL GET THE IDEA FROM THIS AND YOU NEED A GOOD NIGHT'S REST.



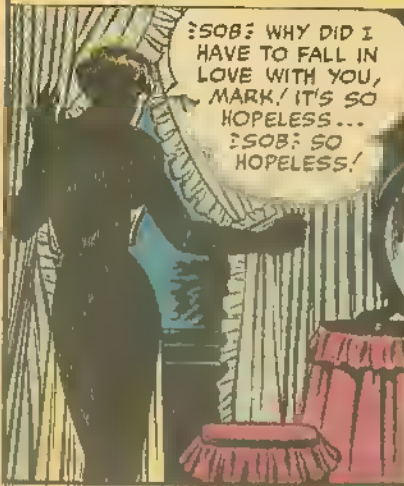
MAYBE IT ISN'T SENSATIONAL, BUT I DID MY BEST, BRIAN!

SURE! I KNOW YOU DID! YOU ALWAYS DO, DON'T YOU, HALLIE?



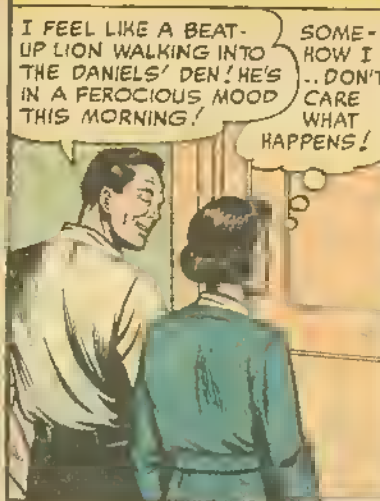
LOVE LETTERS

THAT NIGHT, EXHAUSTED AND DISCOURAGED, I FOUND TEARS COULD NO LONGER BE CHOKED BACK!



SOB: WHY DID I HAVE TO FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU, MARK! IT'S SO HOPELESS... SOB: SO HOPELESS!

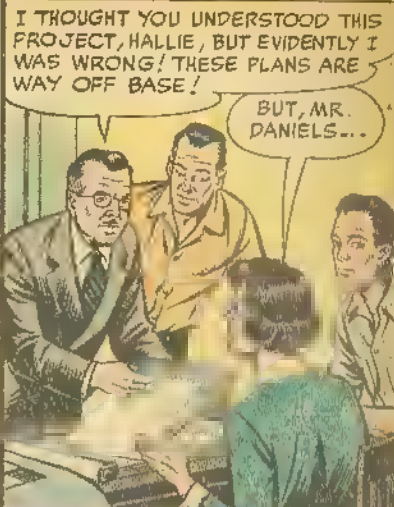
AND THE NEXT MORNING, WEARY FROM LACK OF SLEEP...



I FEEL LIKE A BEAT-UP LION WALKING INTO THE DANIELS' DEN! HE'S IN A FEROCIOUS MOOD THIS MORNING!

SOMEHOW I .. DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS!

BUT I DID CARE, MOMENTS LATER!

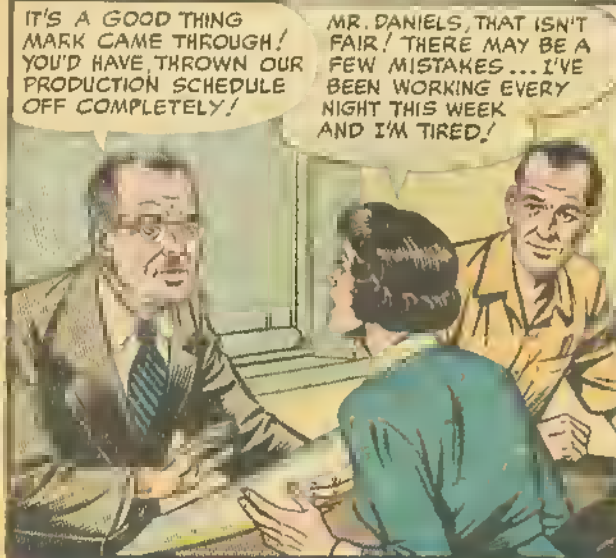


I THOUGHT YOU UNDERSTOOD THIS PROJECT, HALLIE, BUT EVIDENTLY I WAS WRONG! THESE PLANS ARE WAY OFF BASE!

BUT, MR. DANIELS...

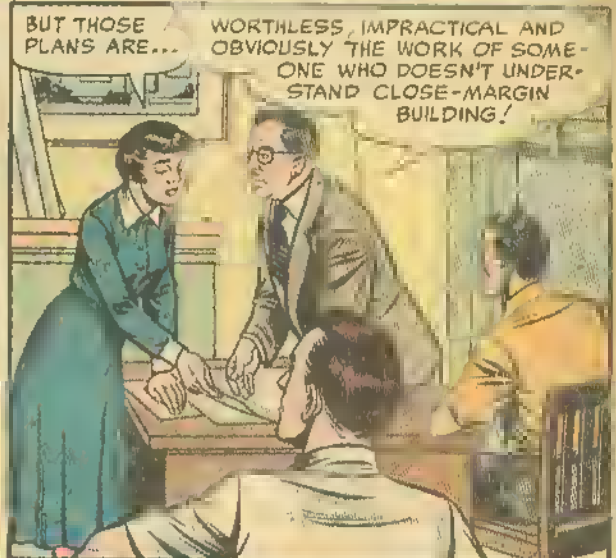
IT'S A GOOD THING MARK CAME THROUGH! YOU'D HAVE THROWN OUR PRODUCTION SCHEDULE OFF COMPLETELY!

MR. DANIELS, THAT ISN'T FAIR! THERE MAY BE A FEW MISTAKES... I'VE BEEN WORKING EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK AND I'M TIRED!



BUT THOSE PLANS ARE...

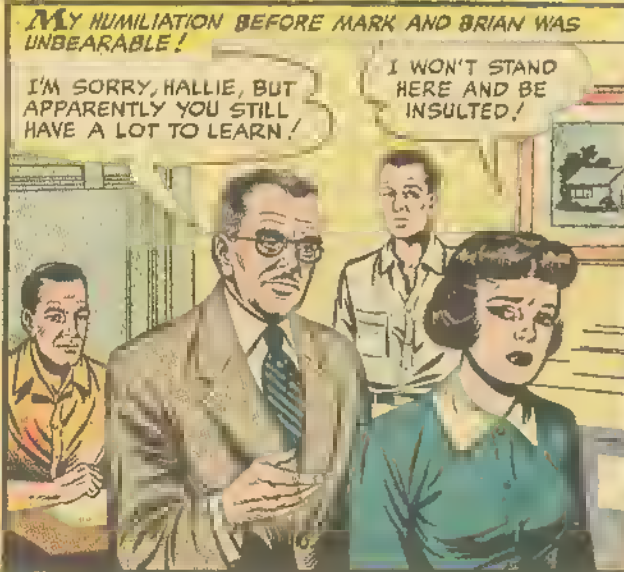
WORTHLESS, IMPRACTICAL AND OBVIOUSLY THE WORK OF SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T UNDERSTAND CLOSE-MARGIN BUILDING!



MY HUMILIATION BEFORE MARK AND BRIAN WAS UNBEARABLE!

I'M SORRY, HALLIE, BUT APPARENTLY YOU STILL HAVE A LOT TO LEARN!

I WON'T STAND HERE AND BE INSULTED!



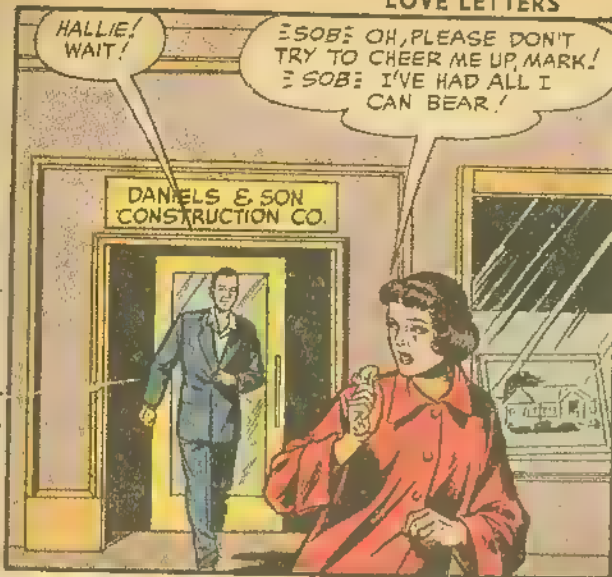
YOU CAN TAKE CRITICISM, CAN'T YOU? YOU'VE ALWAYS STOOD ON YOUR OWN TWO FEET, SO I TALK TO YOU AS I'D TALK TO ONE OF THE MEN! HERE, I'LL SHOW YOU...

SOB: I DON'T WANT TO SEE!
SOB: I DON'T CARE!



LOVE LETTERS

SOBBING UNCONTROL-
LABLY, I
RAN TO
GET MY
COAT,
TO LEAVE
THE
SCENE
OF MY
EMBARRAS-
MENT AND
HEART-
BREAK!
BUT AS I
STARTED OUT
THE DOOR...



HALLIE!
WAIT!

SOB: OH, PLEASE DON'T
TRY TO CHEER ME UP, MARK!
SOB: I'VE HAD ALL I
CAN BEAR!



THE OLD GROUCH
REALLY WAS IN A ROUGH
MOOD, WASN'T HE? BUT
THEN, I DIDN'T THINK ANYBODY
COULD MAKE YOU CRY!

WH-WHY
NOT?

I DON'T KNOW...
IT ALWAYS SEEMED
TO ME THAT YOU
HAD EVERY SITUATION
WELL UNDER CONTROL!

I USED TO
THINK
THAT MY-
SELF, MARK! I
WAS
WRONG!

OH, DON'T WORRY
ABOUT YOUR
PLANS! MAYBE I
CAN HELP YOU
SAVE THEM! WANT
TO STAY DOWN AND
WORK TONIGHT?

I COULDN'T
ASK YOU TO
DO THAT!

THAT---
BEAUTIFUL
BLONDE MIGHT
NOT APPRECIATE
YOUR CANCELLING
ANOTHER DATE!

BLONDE? OH...
ROSEMARY! SHE
IS CUTE, BUT
I'M NOT HER
ONLY UNCLE!
I'LL TAKE HER
TO THE MOVIES
SOME OTHER
NIGHT!

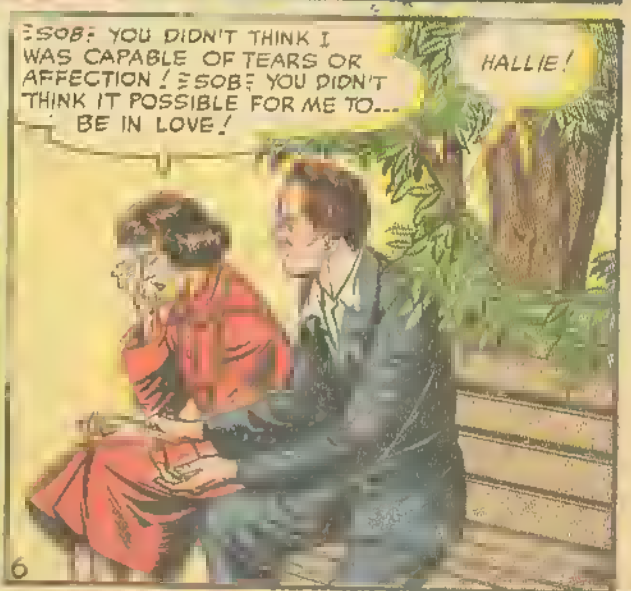


UNCLE?

SURE... I'VE GOT THE CUTEST
LITTLE SEVEN YEAR OLD NIECE
YOU EVER SAW! I NEVER
MENTIONED HER... FIGURED
YOU WEREN'T INTERESTED
IN KIDS AND...

SOB: YOU DIDN'T THINK I
WAS CAPABLE OF TEARS OR
AFFECTION! SOB: YOU DIDN'T
THINK IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO...
BE IN LOVE!

HALLIE!



LOVE LETTERS

HALLIE, DEAREST, DON'T SAY THAT! I MIGHT HAVE BEEN WRONG ABOUT YOU, BUT I KEPT HOPING THAT SOMEDAY I'D BE MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU THAN YOUR CAREER!

YOU... KEPT HOPING?

BECAUSE I COULDN'T HELP LOVING YOU! AND NOW THAT YOU NEED ME, DARLING... I LOVE YOU MORE THAN EVER!

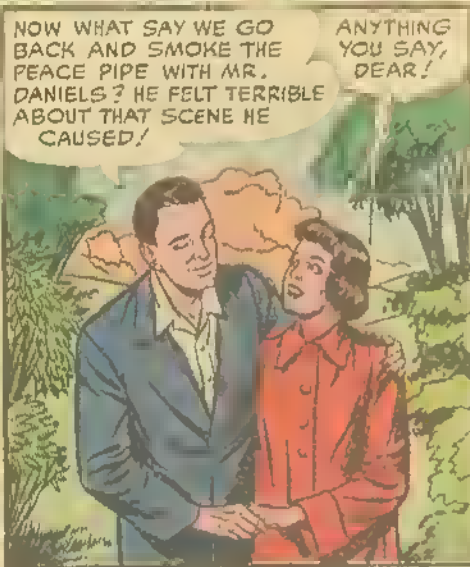
OH, MARK... MARK... YOU'LL NEVER KNOW HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU!



MARK'S LIPS ON MINE TOLD ME MORE THAN WORDS COULD EVER SAY! I LOVED... AND I WAS LOVED! TO A WOMAN, NOTHING ELSE MATTERS!

NOW WHAT SAY WE GO BACK AND SMOKE THE PEACE PIPE WITH MR. DANIELS? HE FELT TERRIBLE ABOUT THAT SCENE HE CAUSED!

ANYTHING YOU SAY, DEAR!



BUT THAT WASN'T THE END OF MY STORY! FOR A FEW DAYS LATER, SHORTLY AFTER BRIAN LEFT TOWN ON A BUSINESS TRIP...

WHY... THESE ARE MY TRACT PLANS! BUT SOMEBODY CHANGED THEM! MAYBE THIS NOTE WILL EXPLAIN...!



Dearest Hallie,
Loving you as much as I do, I couldn't resist taking this chance to make you happy! If you think the plans are terrible, just thank the guy who sat up all night to make them that way!
Your devoted
Brian

ANYTHING INTERESTING, HONEY? OR ARE YOU USING COMPANY TIME TO PLAN THE WEDDING?

NO... NO, DARLING! THESE ARE PLANS THAT... A VERY DEAR FRIEND MADE... FOR US!



Two Men For Eve

"A CRYSTAL ball may hold the answer," mused Eve Kenworth, as she sat brushing her hair before the mirror. "I've tried everything else." She paused, looking thoughtful, then spoke aloud to the empty room. "But I haven't tried writing to Pete. I can't get a chance to talk to him so maybe a letter is the only solution."

She moved hurriedly to her writing desk and sat down. All the heartsick days of the past months seemed to roll in on her and her thoughts went back to that first date with Tommy, Pete's younger brother. Tommy was a wonderful guy, lots of laughs, really quite handsome, and doing a fine job as a partner in business with Pete. Eve dated Tommy several times before she met his brother and then she knew, instantly, that Pete was the one man in the world for her. He was everything a girl dreamed about, but it was too late. Tommy had fallen for Eve, he had told Pete how much he went for her, even before he introduced his brother and the girl he loved. Eve knew that the first thrills she had felt on seeing Pete had been shared by him, but he gave her no indications of it. He let her know that she was Tommy's girl in a dozen different ways. As the months rolled on, Eve wanted to cry out that she loved him and not Tommy, but always, there was the wall between them that Pete had erected. Tommy's girl was Tommy's girl and nobody else's.

Eve continued dating Tommy, mainly to be near Pete. The brothers were inseparable and even though it was torture to see Pete constantly, Eve couldn't have herself to break off with Tommy. The final blow came when Tommy breezed into Eve's apartment wearing a million dollar smile and carrying a small package. Before Eve could protest, he had opened it and slipped a magnificent diamond on her finger. "For the greatest gal in the world, honey. The future Mrs. Tommy Devlin." He swept her into his arms as she started to talk. "Not a word, Eve baby. Give your ever lovin' guy a kiss and then get into your best duds. We're due to meet Pete for dinner and I can't wait either, but for different reasons, and when they faced Pete in the restaurant, she knew without doubt that he loved her as she did him. "Congratulate me, Pete, Eve's going to marry me," exploded Tommy. Eve started to protest, "But Tommy, you didn't give me a chance to speak and—" but she was halted by the expression on Pete's face. He had gone completely white and when he looked at her, she thought her heart would burst. "Congratulations, Tommy," he finally said slowly, "you've got a very wonderful girl."

Tommy left the table to make a business call shortly after that and Eve, unable to contain herself any longer, burst out, "Pete, I can't marry Tommy, you know I can't. It's you I love. Why won't you break

down and admit that you love me too." "Eve, don't say anymore. I can't take it. Tommy loves you, you're engaged to him, it's got to stay that way," replied Pete heatedly. Then he got up from the table, "Tell him I had to check on a new deal at the office, just remembered it." He started to leave and then turned back purposefully, "I'm going to plan a fast trip to South America, Eve, I'll be out of town for your wedding. Please understand," he pleaded.

That was the last time Eve had seen him. Now, as she sat at her desk, Eve knew his boat was scheduled to leave that night. She picked up the phone and called a messenger service to deliver the letter and then she wrote hastily:

Pete, darling,

I can't go on pretending to Tommy, when it's you that I love. Let's tell him how we feel about each other and then if you still want to go away, I'll understand, and I'll love you always.

Eve.

At midnight that night the phone jangled at Eve's bedside. It was Pete, talking like a madman, "Eve, get over to City Hospital right away. Tommy's been in an auto accident." That was all.

Eve hurriedly got dressed and moved to the hospital. Once there she was admitted to Tommy's room. The nurse told her he was unconscious but he would be all right. Tommy was all bandaged about the head and looked to be in a deep sleep. As Eve watched him, she heard the door open behind her and Pete was at her side. Without thinking, she turned and threw herself in his arms. He pulled her to him and kissed her with all the love and passion she had longed for. All the pent-up yearning in Eve seemed to break away and her heart was on wings. As they broke apart, they heard Tommy's voice. "Hi, people," he said weakly. "Looks like I'll be the one taking a vacation, Pete. You can have the wedding. Now bent it will ya? Let a guy get some rest."

Later, in the waiting room, Pete said in wonderment, "He knows and he understands." Eve was glowing. "Oh, yes, darling. And he's so wonderful about it. I'm glad now that I wrote you that note, otherwise we might never have gotten together." Pete looked at her questioningly, "Note?" he asked, "I never received—" Then a look of understanding came over his face. "Tommy must have gotten it by mistake. That's how he knew about us. He must have been out of his head at first because that accident seemed almost planned."

He gathered Eve into his arms. "It's tough, Tommy having to get it this way, but it would have been worse if the three of us had gone all our lives living a lie."

I WAS FORCED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO COURSES IN LIFE... THE ONE MY SISTER IRENE INSISTED UPON AS A PROTECTION AGAINST HEARTBREAK OR THE ONE CAL HUBBARD PROPOSED AS THE PATH TO PERFECT HAPPINESS! WHICH WOULD IT BE? I WAS CAUGHT IN A WEB OF TANGLED EMOTIONS AND DREADFUL INDECISION...

Which Path is Mine?



The DAY OF IRENE'S WEDDING BROUGHT MIXED JOY AND GRIEF TO ME! SHE WAS MY ONLY SISTER AND WE WERE DEEPLY DEVOTED TO EACH OTHER!

IRENE, YOU LOOK SO BEAUTIFUL! AND I'M SO THRILLED FOR YOU, ONLY...

ONLY WHAT, PHYLLIS?



WE'VE NEVER BEEN APART BEFORE! I'LL BE LONESOME WITHOUT YOU, THAT'S ALL!

I'LL MISS YOU, TOO, HONEY! BUT IT HAS TO BE THIS WAY! IT MEANS MY HAPPINESS!



LOVE LETTERS

I'M DELIRIOUSLY HAPPY, PHYLLIS! AND I KNOW I'LL ALWAYS BE SO WITH GERALD! HE'S THE MOST WONDERFUL MAN IN THE WHOLE WORLD!

I KNOW! DO YOU THINK FOR ONE MINUTE I'D WANT IT TO BE DIFFERENT?

Gerald BROMLEY SEEMED TO BE ALL ANY GIRL COULD ASK FOR IN A HUSBAND! HE AND IRENE LEFT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEIR MARRIAGE FOR THEIR NEW HOME IN A DISTANT CITY! HER LETTERS WERE ALWAYS FILLED WITH PRAISE FOR HIM UNTIL ONE DAY, ABOUT A YEAR LATER...

Phyllis, dear -
This will probably come as a shock to you but Gerald and I are getting a divorce - Can you come to be with me for a while? I desperately need you -
Love
Irene

A DIVORCE? I CAN'T BELIEVE SUCH A THING COULD HAPPEN TO THEM!

I WENT AT ONCE TO BE WITH HER! AND THE IRENE I FOUND THEN WAS FAR FROM THE LOVELY, RADIANT BRIDE THAT SHE HAD BEEN WHEN I LAST SAW HER!

IT WAS WRONG FROM THE BEGINNING! HE WASN'T AT ALL THE PERSON I THOUGHT HE WAS! I'VE BEEN MISERABLE FROM THE START!

WHY DIDN'T YOU WRITE ME ABOUT IT?

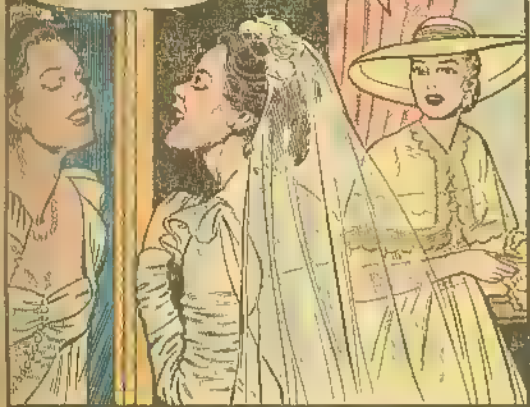
I THOUGHT THINGS MIGHT CHANGE! BUT THEY DIDN'T! GERALD FOUND SOMEONE ELSE!

THEN I SAY IT'S GOOD RIDDANCE!

AND YOU HAVE TO SNAP OUT OF THIS, IRENE! JUST BECAUSE YOU LOST THE MAN YOU LOVE...

I DON'T LOVE HIM! NOT NOW!

I HATE HIM! I'LL NEVER LOVE OR TRUST ANOTHER MAN AS LONG AS I LIVE!



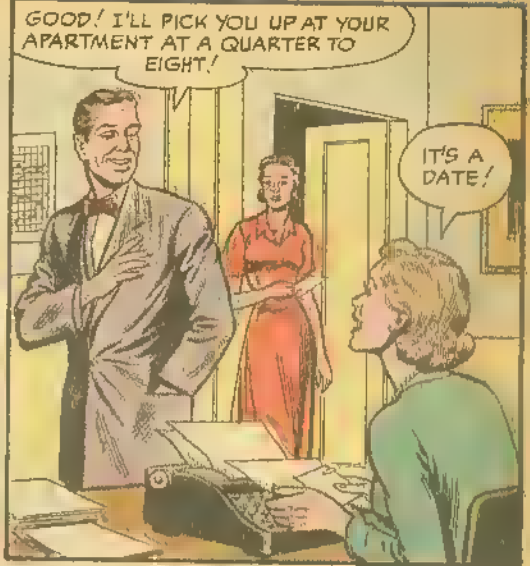
LOVE LETTERS

I DECIDED TO STAY ON WITH IRENE AND HELP HER GET A NEW START! AND I SUCCEEDED PRETTY WELL! SHE GOT A JOB AND SO DID I, BOTH IN THE SAME PUBLICITY OFFICE! AND THAT'S WHERE WE MET CAL HUBBARD!



HONEY, I HAVE TWO PASSES TO THE CIRCUS TONIGHT! AND I'D LIKE TO GO IF YOU GO WITH ME!

THE CIRCUS? SURE, CAL, I'D LOVE TO!



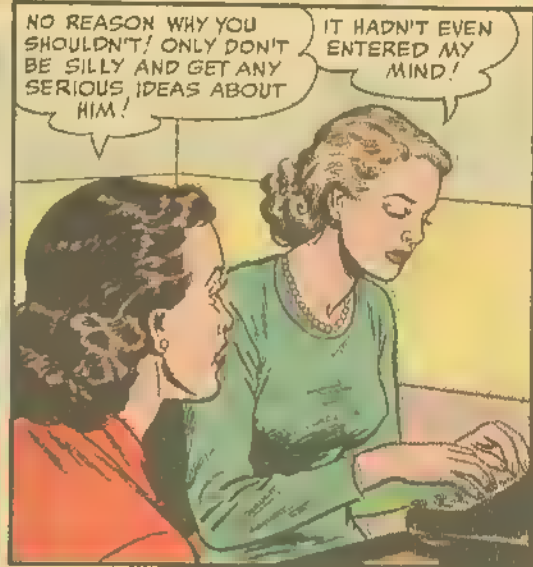
GOOD! I'LL PICK YOU UP AT YOUR APARTMENT AT A QUARTER TO EIGHT!

IT'S A DATE!



I HEARD YOUR CONVERSATION WITH CAL! THAT YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH HIM TONIGHT!

SURE! WHY NOT?



NO REASON WHY YOU SHOULDN'T! ONLY DON'T BE SILLY AND GET ANY SERIOUS IDEAS ABOUT HIM!

IT HADN'T EVEN ENTERED MY MIND!

I'D ALWAYS BEEN CRAZY ABOUT CIRCUSES! AND CAL AND I HAD A LOT OF FUN THAT NIGHT! GEE, I HADN'T FED PEANUTS TO THE ELEPHANTS SINCE I WAS A KID!



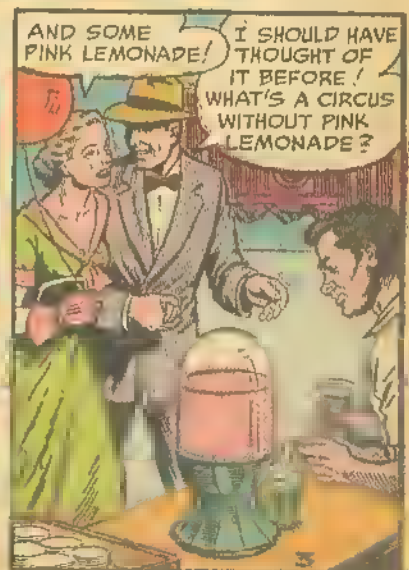
LOOK! SHE WANTS MORE!

PLENTY MORE WHERE THESE CAME FROM!



AND HOW ABOUT A BALLOON?

OH, SURE! I SIMPLY MUST HAVE A BALLOON, CAL!



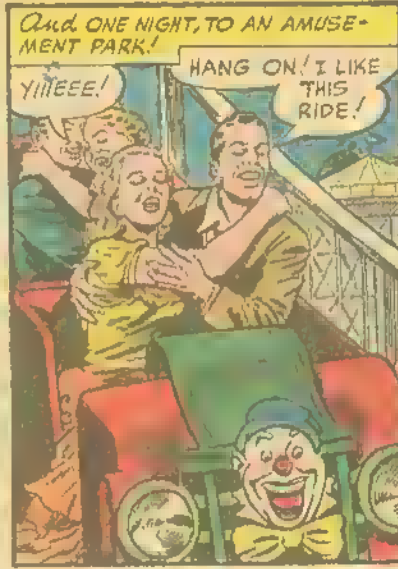
AND SOME PINK LEMONADE!

I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF IT BEFORE! WHAT'S A CIRCUS WITHOUT PINK LEMONADE?

LOVE LETTERS



I WASN'T IN LOVE WITH CAL THEN... THAT WAS TO COME LATER! BUT I LIKED BEING WITH HIM AND IT SEEMED TO BE A MUTUAL FEELING! I BEGAN TO GO OUT WITH HIM FREQUENTLY! DANCING...



When WE GOT TO HIS PARKED CAR, CAL KISSED ME! I'LL ADMIT THAT HE'D KISSED ME BEFORE! BUT NEVER LIKE THIS!



LOVE LETTERS



MARRY ME, PHYLLIS! I'LL SPEND MY WHOLE LIFE TRYING TO MAKE YOU HAPPY!

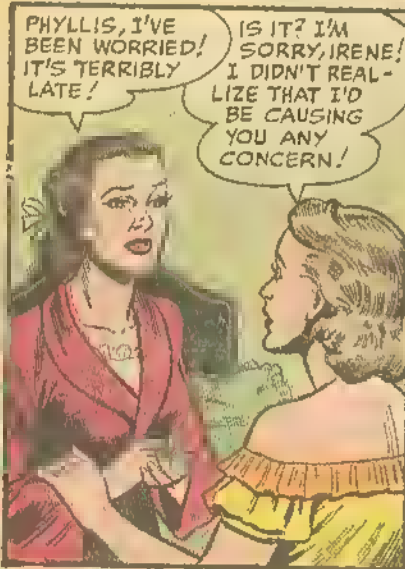
WELL, I---



YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER THIS MINUTE! BUT LET ME KNOW SOON!

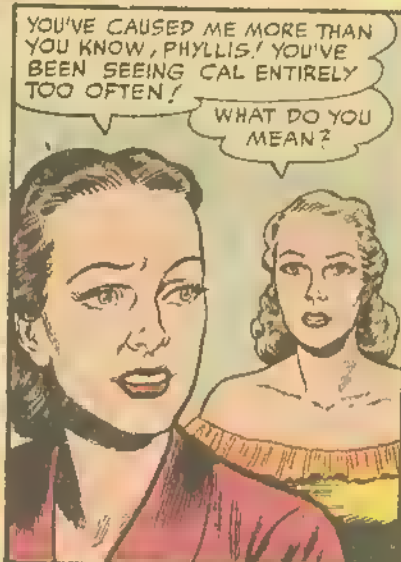
I WILL, CAL! REAL SOON! AND I THINK I'LL SAY YES!

I WAS BLISSFULLY, ECSTATICALLY HAPPY! CAL'S KISSES HAD BEEN PASSIONATE AND CONVINCING! AND THE WAY I HAD RESPONDED TO THEM ASSURED ME THAT I WAS IN LOVE! UNTIL...



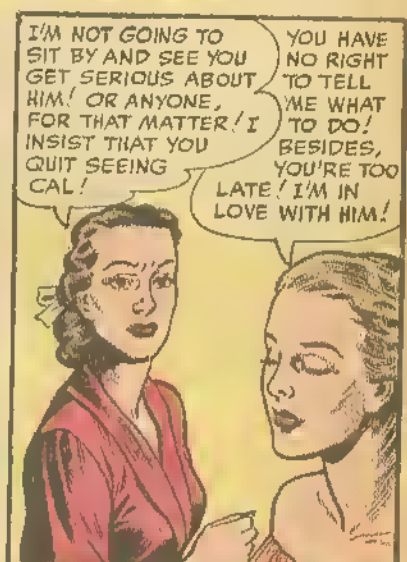
PHYLLIS, I'VE BEEN WORRIED! IT'S TERRIBLY LATE!

IS IT? I'M SORRY, IRENE! I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT I'D BE CAUSING YOU ANY CONCERN!



YOU'VE CAUSED ME MORE THAN YOU KNOW, PHYLLIS! YOU'VE BEEN SEEING CAL ENTIRELY TOO OFTEN!

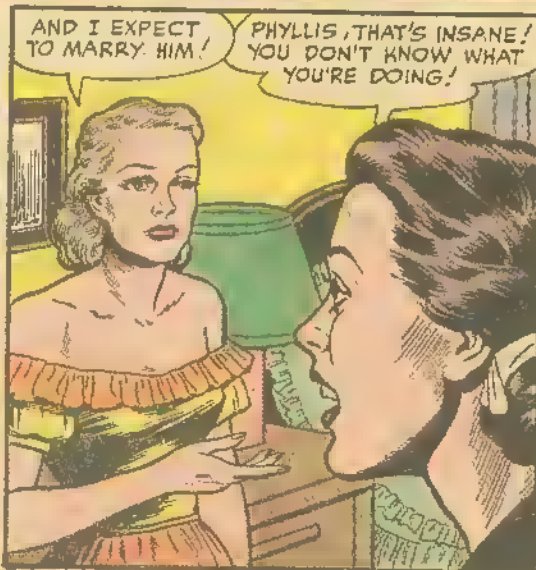
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



I'M NOT GOING TO SIT BY AND SEE YOU GET SERIOUS ABOUT HIM! OR ANYONE, FOR THAT MATTER! I INSIST THAT YOU QUIT SEEING CAL!

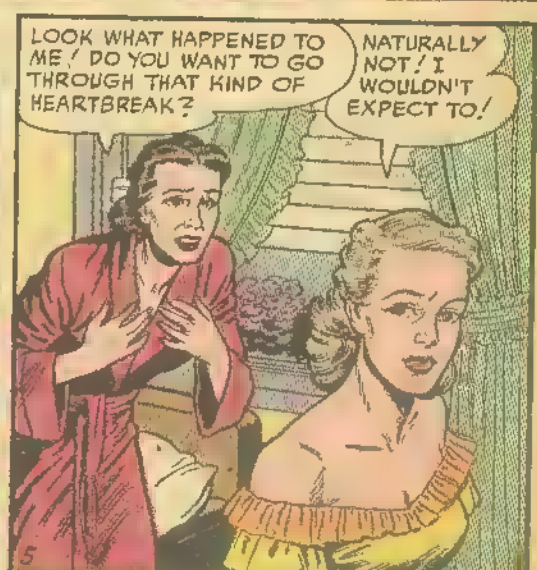
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO TELL ME WHAT TO DO! BESIDES, YOU'RE TOO LATE! I'M IN LOVE WITH HIM!

A LOOK OF PANIC FLASHED ACROSS IRENE'S FACE... A LOOK THAT ACTUALLY FRIGHTENED ME... WHEN I SPOKE THE NEXT WORDS...



AND I EXPECT TO MARRY HIM!

PHYLLIS, THAT'S INSANE! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING!



LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO ME! DO YOU WANT TO GO THROUGH THAT KIND OF HEARTBREAK?

NATURALLY NOT! I WOULDN'T EXPECT TO!

LOVE LETTERS

NO ONE EVER EXPECTS TO!
YOU KNOW I DIDN'T! YOU
REMEMBER HOW I FELT
ABOUT MY MARRIAGE!
I WAS SO SURE IT WAS
RIGHT!

YES, IRENE! I
REMEMBER!
AND I WON'T DO
ANYTHING RASH!
I PROMISE!

*The
NEXT FEW
WEEKS WERE
LIKE A
WIERD
NIGHTMARE
IN WHICH
I WAS
TORN
APART, WITH
MY LOVES
AND
LOYALTIES
EXTENDING
IN OPPOSITE
DIRECTIONS!
CAL WAS
PERSUASIVE!*

DARLING, YOU CAN'T SAY
NO! YOU LOVE ME, DON'T
YOU?

YES! AT LEAST,
I -- I THINK SO!

THERE ISN'T ANYONE
ELSE, IS THERE?

OH, NO! THERE'S
NEVER BEEN ANYONE
BUT YOU!

THEN WHAT ARE WE WAITING
FOR, PHYLLIS? WHAT HAVE
I DONE TO MAKE YOU
DOUBT ME?

NOTHING! IT'S
NOT THAT!
IT'S SOME-
THING THAT I
CAN'T EXPLAIN!

*How
COULD I
TALK ABOUT
IRENE'S
UNFORTUNATE
MARRIAGE
OR DESCRIBE
HOW MUCH
I ADORED
HER AND WAS
SWAYED BY
HER WISHES!
YET I
RESENTED
HER CONSTANT
EAGLE
EYE! EVEN
IN THE
OFFICE...*

MADE UP YOUR
MIND YET,
SWEETHEART?

NOT YET, CAL!
BUT I WILL
VERY SOON!
REALLY,
DARLING!

WHY DO YOU KEEP
DAWDLING? WHY
DON'T YOU TELL
HIM NOW THAT
YOU'RE
THROUGH?

BECAUSE I'M
NOT SURE
THAT I AM!
THAT'S WHAT
YOU WANT
BUT...

HONEY, I'M ONLY
TRYING TO PROTECT
YOU! I'VE SEEN IT
HAPPEN TO OTHER
PEOPLE, NOT JUST
TO ME! AND FOR
MY KID SISTER TO...

I'M NOT A
KID NOW,
IRENE! I'M
OLD
ENOUGH
TO MAKE
UP MY MIND!
AND THAT'S
WHAT I'M
GOING TO
DO!

LOVE LETTERS

I KNEW I HAD TO BE ALONE TO GET MY MIND UNTANGLED! SO I ASKED FOR TWO DAYS OFF, PACKED HURRIEDLY THAT AFTERNOON AND CHECKED IN AT A HOTEL IN A NEARBY TOWN! AND ALL THAT NIGHT...

I'M ONLY TRYING TO PROTECT YOU!

DARLING, I LOVE YOU!

REMEMBER MY MARRIAGE!

I'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY!

ALL THE NEXT DAY, I WAS STILL CAUGHT IN THE WEB OF INDECISION! BUT THAT EVENING...

TABLE FOR ONE?

THANKS, FOLKS, FOR COMING HERE ON OUR FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY! MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT MAMMA AND I DIDN'T MEET A FEW YEARS SOONER!

RIGHT THIS WAY, MISS!

THANKS BUT I'VE CHANGED MY MIND! I'M GOING UPSTAIRS TO WRITE A LETTER! I SEE NOW THAT PEOPLE CAN BE HAPPY!

Cal, darling my answer is yes. I'll be back on Thursday morning and we'll be married whenever you say Phyllis

We HAD A SIMPLE WEDDING, BUT IT WAS WONDERFUL TO ME! IRENE ATTENDED RATHER RELUCTANTLY! YET LAST NIGHT, WHEN SHE CAME TO DINNER...

HI, HONEY! I'M HOME!

DARLING, YOU'RE EARLY!

I ALWAYS GET HERE AS SOON AS I CAN! BESIDES, I KNEW IRENE WOULD BE HERE!

YOU'RE STILL A COUPLE OF LOVE BIRDS, AREN'T YOU?

THAT'S RIGHT! AND AFTER TWO YEARS, TOO! THINK WE'RE CRAZY?

NO, QUITE SANE! NOW THAT I'VE SEEN WHAT REAL HAPPINESS IS, MAYBE I'LL TRY AGAIN TO FIND IT FOR MYSELF!

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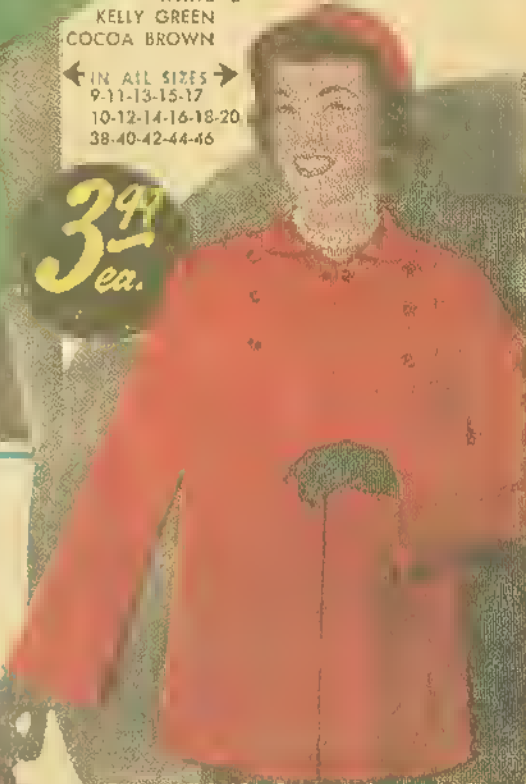
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WHITE

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COCOA BROWN

← **IN ALL SIZES** →
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10-12-14-16-18-20
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